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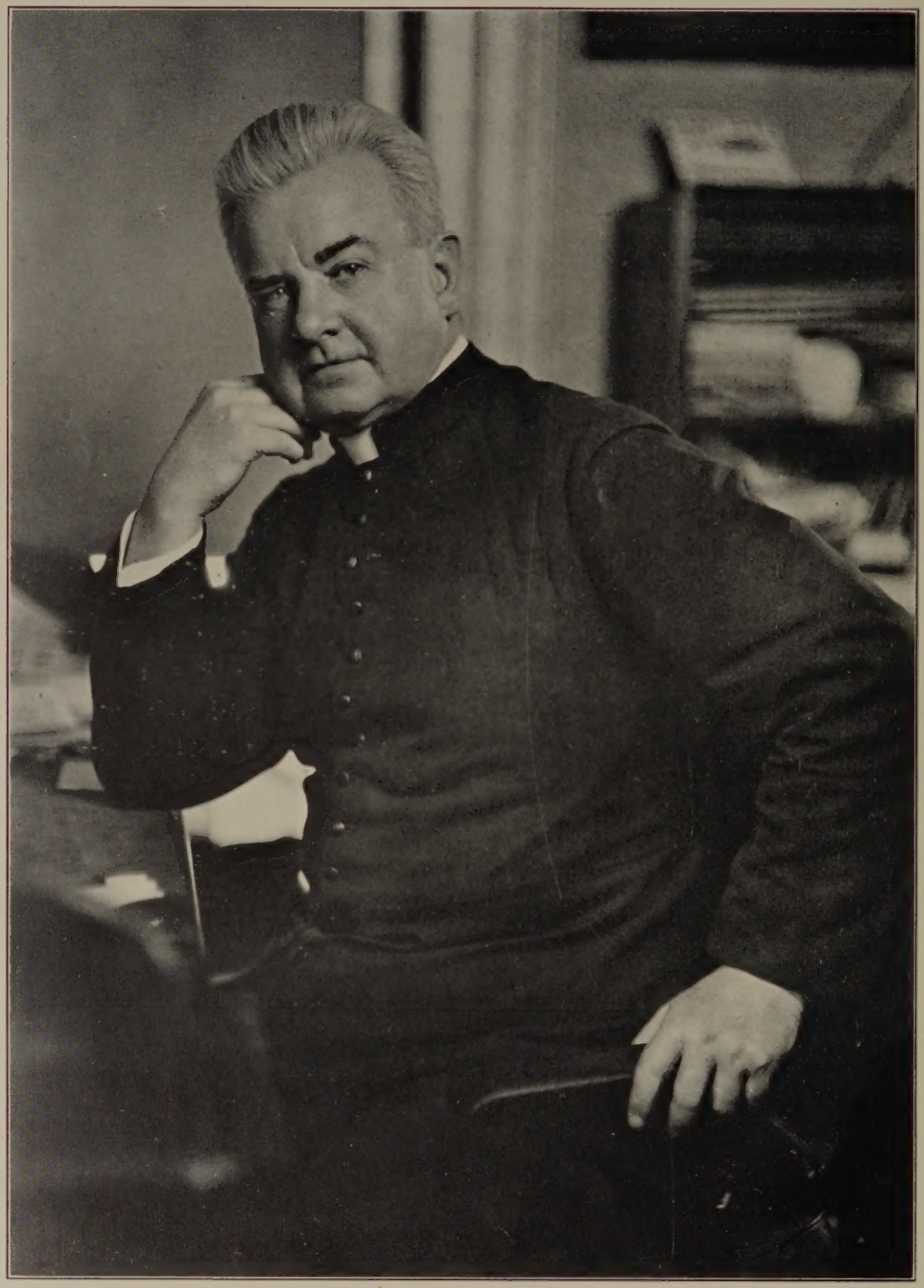
In order to strengthen the ties between the class of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-eight and Alma Mater, we make this bold attempt of presenting the first volume of The Xaverian. That it may serve to bring back many fond memories to its readers in the years to come is the wish of the editors.

Dedication

To the man who made possible a bigger, a greater, and a better St. John's—Our Pastor,

Rev. Edward J. Fitzgerald,

We, the Class of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-eight, as a tribute of gratitude and sincere affection, respectfully dedicate this, the first edition of The Xaverian.



REV. EDWARD J. FITZGERALD, P. R.
Pastor of St. John's Church

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To the Board of Editors of the
St. John's High School Year Book:

A Catholic School System is the crowning of the Parish activity—it is the assurance that the work of God's Church will continue, for it is the assurance that the oncoming generation, well-schooled in the teaching of the Church, will be its loyal support. Anything then, that makes our school system more attractive and effective is a help to Holy Church and demands and should receive every encouragement.

So with your Year Book. Although our Church in this Diocese is only one hundred years old, yet already, we feel the need of authentic records of the men and deeds which have made her great and beloved. Such a record your Year Book will supply for contemporary school activity, and as such a record I welcome it to a place in our archives, and hope that each succeeding class will add their record to the Library.

Hearty congratulations then, my dear Board of Editors, on this pioneer work for St. John's School, and may it in the years to come be your happiness to return to it and read again the permanent record of happy schooldays.

Sincerely yours,

Edward J. Fitzgerald

Pastor of St. John's Church.



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History of St. John's School

St. John's School for boys was established by the late Monsignor Thomas Griffin in the early eighties. On his return from a trip home to his native land he brought with him a community of the Christian Brothers of Ireland to serve as the faculty of the new school.

The stay of the Christian Brothers in Worcester was brief, however, for after a stay of two years, on account of the vicissitudes of the climate, their superiors called them back to their native land.

In the year 1894, Monsignor Griffin requested the late Brother Alexius then provincial of the American Province of the Xaverian Brothers, to send a community of Xaverian Brothers to conduct the school. In September of that year, four Brothers with Brother Robert as superior, arrived in Worcester. During the first few years the Brothers conducted a gammar school at St. John's. Later, Commercial Classes were added, and finally in 1898, the High School Department was opened under the guidance of Brothers Alphonse and Henry.

As the years passed, St. John's High School came to be recognized as a Preparatory School for Holy Cross College. This was brought about when the faculty of Holy Cross, compelled by the over-crowded conditions of their dormitories and class-rooms, dropped the preparatory classes from the course.



For years, St. John's has offered a thorough Classical Course and along with it a Latin-Scientific Course, to accommodate those pupils who wish to attend Worcester Polytechnic Institute. The graduates now number in the hundreds and it is the proud boast of the faculty that the majority of them have gone on to further their education after graduation.

Since 1894, St. John's School has been under the directorship of eight principals and it is a remarkable fact that they are all living at present. Their names and tenure of office follow.

Brother Robert, C.F.X.	1894-1904
Brother Urban, C.F.X.	1904-1908
Brother Thomas, C.F.X.	1908-1910
Brother Henry, C.F.X.	1910-1918
Brother Pascal, C.F.X.	1918-1921
Brother Gerard, C.F.X.	1921-1925
Brother Aloysius, C.F.X.	1925-1926
Brother Carl, C.F.X.	1926-



BROTHER CARL, C.F.X., *Principal*

Appreciation

The Class of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-eight expresses
its heartfelt appreciation to

Brother Carl, C. F. X.

And to the Xaverian Brothers and laymen comprising
the faculty for their untiring interest
and endeavors in our behalf.



BROTHER COSMAS, C.F.X.
Chemistry



BROTHER CLEMENT, C.F.X.
English



BROTHER LIGUORI, C.F.X.
Mathematics



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Latin and Greek



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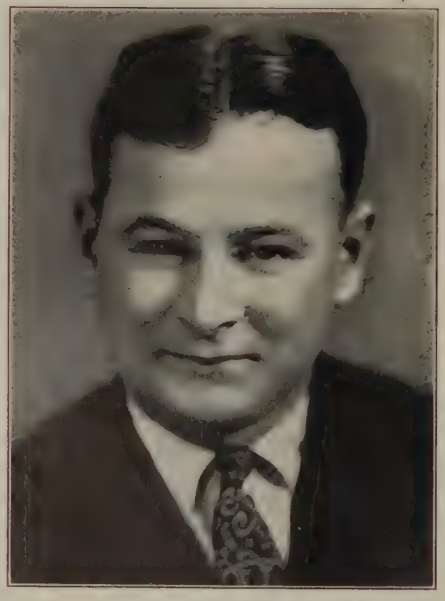
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Glee Club



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Athletics



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Dramatics



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Brosnan, Leo J.
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Shea, Joseph M.
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LEO JOSEPH BROSNAN

(Brosie)

Glee Club 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Philoponia 4.
Commencement Day Committee 4.
Prom Ticket Committee 4.
Play Program Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

Good-natured and carefree; these few words apply to Leo in the fullest extent of their meaning. "Brosie" pretends to be serious in his work, but his heart and mind must correspond with his humorous smile. In the future, when our thoughts revert to our school days, the thought of Leo will surely bring happy memories. May success attend his good nature!



JAMES FRANCIS BURKE

(Jabber)

Glee Club 2, 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Philoponia 4.
Class Officer 4.
Football 3, 4.
Baseball 2, 3, 4.
Basketball 3, 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

"Jabber" is the answer to the qestion, "Can an athlete be a student?" He was the old stand-by on the basketball floor and the snappy right end on the gridiron. During all this period of hard play he managed to attain the coveted "above 85%." "Jabber's" little smile and his natural wit have earned him many friends, who look for big things from him in the future.



FRANCIS JOSEPH CAFFERTY

(Frank)

Glee Club 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Philoponia 4.
Senior Ring Committee 4.
Annual Play Program Committee 4.
Senior Prom Orchestra Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

Dignified of manner and capable in action is our Frank. Both in his actions and in his words, he is always a true type of the gentleman. An earnest and consistent worker, Frank has taken part in many activities for which he has earned much due credit. In studies, Frank has ever retained a position among the leaders. Holy Cross has claimed his attention and it is our sincere wish that he be successful.



EDGAR STEPHEN CAMPBELL

(Ed)

Chairman, Senior Council 4.
Glee Club 2, 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Football 1, 2, 3, 4.
Baseball 2, 3, 4.
Capt. Baseball 3, 4.
Senior Prom Reception Comm. 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

"Ed" is one of our hardest workers, both in the class-room and on the athletic field. He played end on the football team in his Senior year and did much to earn the coveted "S. J." His efforts at baseball were rewarded when he was twice chosen as Captain of the school team. "Ed" always managed to be among the leaders when class ratings were announced. Georgetown will receive a splendid fellow when "Ed" enters her portals next September.



THOMAS EDWARD CLAYBORNE

(Doc)

Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
Senior Ring Committee 4.
Play Program Committee 4.
Senior Prom Decoration Comm. 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 4.

One of our most recent and most faithful classmates is "Doc." He joined us at the commencement of our Senior year and although quiet and unassuming, he is well known and is a genuine friend to all. His conscientious application to study has always placed him within the charm-circle of those who have no fear of impending exams, but accept them with full confidence of honorable results. We are assured that he will do nobly at Holy Cross.



FRANCIS JOSEPH CLIFFORD

(Cliff)

Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Glee Club 3, 4.
Annual Play 3, 4.
Debating Team 4.
Greek Club Officer 4.
Prom Reception Committee 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

Frank has always been a hardworking, energetic student. His interest has also been taken up with the various school activities and we always found "Cliff" one of the first to sacrifice his time if it was for the benefit of the school. He earned success, both in dramatics and debating, and was selected for the cast of the annual play for two years and was a victorious debater in his Senior year. In whatever pursuit he may enter we look for "Cliff" to be a complete success.



JOHN PETER CONLIN

(Connie)

Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Orchestra 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
Debating Team 4.
President, Latin Club 4.
Senior Prom Committee 4.
Program Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 4.

"Connie" came to St. John's from South High at the beginning of our Senior year. Possessed with a likeable disposition, he immediately became a friend to everybody. His keen wit, united with his hearty laugh, has dispelled many a cloud for many of the class. His assiduous application to his studies shows a desire to achieve success which we are confident will be his.



THOMAS FRANCIS CUMMINGS

(Tom)

Glee Club 2, 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Philoponia 4.
Chemistry Club 4.
Prom Decoration Committee 4.
Chairman Outing Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

"Tom" is a product of St. John's Grammar School, being one of the few Seniors who has come all the way up from the first grade. He is a likeable chap, who always shows an abundance of school spirit, which has won him the esteem of the entire class. "Tom" is also an earnest worker and his companions are confident that he will attain success.



THOMAS FRANCIS DILLON

(Tom)

Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Concert Reception Committee 4.
Outing Committee 4.
Prom Decoration Committee 4.
Xaverian Advertising Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

"Tom" is a quiet, attentive youth, who came to us in the Second Year from Leicester. His retiring manner has attracted a number of friends, who admire his pleasant smile. "Tom" belongs to the small, but growing company, who commute to the city daily to partake of the course at St. John's. May those, who follow his example from Leicester, be as earnest! "Tom" bids fair to be a leader at Holy Cross next session.



CHARLES SYLVESTER ELLSWORTH

(Red)

Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
XAVERIAN Subscription Comm. 4.
Chemistry Club 4.
Concert Reception Committee 4.
Outing Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 4.

Charlie entered our midst in September of the Senior year. He hails from Northboro, from which city he motors each morning. He did not take long to become an ardent rooter for St. John's, but immediately entered into the various activities with a will. His ability at Mathematics leads us to believe that he will make his mark some day in the Science branches. The eligibility rules prevented his playing basketball in which he excels, but he aided the team by practicing with them.



EDWARD JOSEPH FARRELL

(Ed)

Philoponia 2, 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Senior Council 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
Glee Club 3, 4.
President, Philoponia 4.
Vice-President, Class 4.
Debating Team 3, 4.
Annual Play 3, 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

"Ed" is one of those fellows upon whom all his classmates can depend. He has ever been a hard worker in all that concerns the betterment of the public exhibitions of the school, having given unsparingly of his time during the preparation of many debates and plays. "Ed" has ever endeavored to be successful at his studies and we feel confident that the public platform will some day hold him as a successful orator. As president of the Philoponia Literary and Debating Society, to him, in great measure, is due the unprecedented success of the affairs of the society this year. He carries the thanks and best wishes of the class with him.



MICHAEL JOSEPH FAVULLI

(Mike)

Philoponia 4.
Football 4.
Manager, Baseball 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Senior Council 4.
Prom Reception Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 4.

"Mike" came to the Senior class of St. John's from Commerce. He soon became a favorite with all in the class. He earned an enviable reputation on the gridiron, being perhaps, the best fullback of the high schools of the city. "Mike" was at the same time an earnest student and strove hard to gain that knowledge which will be so necessary in the future. Wherever he goes "Mike" will overcome all obstacles.



CORNELIUS WILLIAM FITZPATRICK

(Fitz)

Football 1, 2, 3, 4.
Basketball 2, 3, 4.
Senior Council 4.
Philoponia 4.
Captain, Football 4.
Captain, Basketball 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Glee Club 2, 3, 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

"Fitz," the captain who always wears a smile! Cap'n has always been a hard working athlete and a diligent student. His popularity exceeds that of any other student at St. John's, which was evidenced when he was twice chosen to head the basketball team, and once as captain of the football team. Holy Cross will receive a good athlete when Connie matriculates there next fall.



DANIEL PAUL GRADY

(Dan)

Philoponia 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Glee Club 2, 3, 4.
Class Orator 4.
Football 4.
Debating Team 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
Senior Prom Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

"Dan" has always been considered the spice of life in the Senior class. From his entrance into our class in the Freshman year, he has been a loyal supporter of the school and has entered into the varied activities without reserve. There was never a youth so willing and anxious for fun and study. He has won for himself a host of friends and all look forward to the day when "Dan" will be hailed as a leading orator.



JOSEPH JOHN GRIGAITIS

(Joe)

Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Glee Club 4.
Football 4.
Senior Council 4.
Prom Decoration Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 4.

"Joe" came to us from Commerce in our Senior year. He is quiet, studious, and very eager to succeed. His opponents recognize him as a hard player on the football team. His loss to us in the middle of the season was a hard blow to the team, but nobody felt any worse than "Joe," himself. He came back to his studies, although not entirely well, and won the admiration of all. The class is confident that success will come from his endeavors and all wish him the best of luck.



THOMAS ANDREW HACKETT

(Tom)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Advertising Manager of XAVERIAN 4.
Prom Committee 4.
Secretary of Musical Clubs 4.

Baseball 3, 4.
Football 4.
Glee Club 3, 4.
Picture Committee.

Genial "Tom" entered into our midst in the Junior year and he slipped so unobtrusively into our ranks that at once he became an indispensable part of the class. "Tom" is the acme of generosity and will willingly extend this generosity to all. The corner where "Tom" sat, was always the bright one of the class and he, by his witty remarks (always outside of class hours, of course), endeared himself to all his classmates. "Tom," being endowed with his share of intelligence, maintained a commendable average throughout his two years at St. John's and the force and fight and interest he put into everything St. John's, gained for him the public approval of his teachers and classmates. In bidding "Tom" a fond farewell, we also wish him great success in any line of endeavor he may follow.

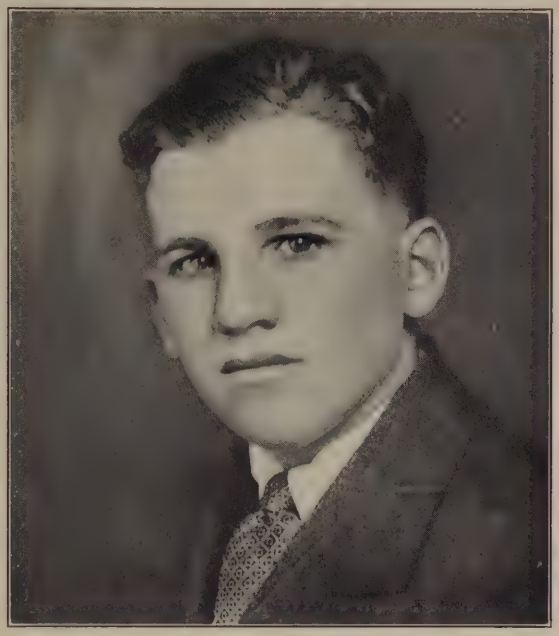


WALTER EDWARD HENRY

(Ed)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Glee Club 2, 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Favor Committee for Prom 4.
Commencement Day Committee 4.
Greek Club 4.

Whenever, in time to come, our memories wander back to our high school days, we will always recall with fond recollection the many pleasant instances that connect Walter E. Henry with St. John's. "Ed" was a good scout; a conspicuous attendant at the daily Jug sessions and a familiar figure in the Philoponia—at recess. "Ed's" unvarying good nature, his genial smile and pleasant comradery have gained a sincere welcome for him everywhere. That success may attend "Ed" in great measure is the wish of his classmates of '28.



WALTER FRANCIS HENRY

(Frank)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Glee Club 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
Play Advertising Committee 4.
Prom Committee 4.

Although of a retiring disposition, "Frank" has been unable to hide his true worth from us. He is held in high esteem by all for his loyalty to St. John's. A good student, he found time to enjoy life, and much of his time was given for the benefit of good old St. John's. His loyalty to class and school has increased with the passing of the years and he leaves the portals of Alma Mater with the imprint of a scholar and a gentleman. We prophesy big things for "Frank" and we will not forget his many pleasant mannerisms.



TIMOTHY JOHN LEARY

(Ted)

Vice-President of Philoponia 4.
Senior Council 4.
Board of Editors—XAVERIAN 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Sport Editor for Annual 4.
Basketball 3, 4.

Talk with "Ted" and you will find a fellow of many attainments. "Ted" was a combination of the good student and the athlete. His never-failing, sunny disposition and his wealth of information on all subjects, which he was ever ready to dispense in his own interesting way, have gained for him our undivided admiration. As forward on the basketball team his work was outstanding. He was a loyal and enthusiastic supporter of all school activities, always ready and eager to pitch in and do his share. Our prediction is that whatever "Ted" tackles in the future, he will tackle hard, and success will be his.



WILLIAM JOHN McGRATH

(Bill)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Circulation Manager of XAVERIAN 4.
Secretary of Athletic Association 4.
Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
General Prom Committee 4.
Secretary of Greek Club 4.

Nothing ever worried "Bill" and if we know him, nothing ever will. Because of his optimistic disposition, "Bill" always had a host of friends, and because of his exceptional ability as a scholar he received many a testimonial at the usual calling of the marks. "Bill" is secretary of the Greek Club and has been a very earnest speaker at Philoponia meetings. Anything that savored of St. John's always interested "Bill" greatly and because he made himself an integral part of our Senior year, we will always cherish fond memories of him. To you, "Bill"—Success!



KENNETH JAMES McTIGUE

(Mac)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
President of the Good Fellowship Club 4.
Philoponia 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
Prom Committee 4.
Class Banquet Committee 4.
Annual Play 4.

Behold the most optimistic and carefree individual of the Senior class. No calamity is so terrible, no disaster so complete, but that "Mac" always has a good word for it. "Mac" doesn't believe in wasting time worrying and his arrival in any assembly is the signal for animated, humorous discussion on nothing at all in particular. He well deserves his unlimited popularity and his dramatic talent has been used to good advantage in his stay at St. John's. That you may smile all through life is the wish of your classmates.



JOHN FRANCIS MERRILL

(John)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
Senior Prom Committee 4.
Glee Club 3, 4.
Annual Play Ticket Committee 4.

John is the real, true, loyal type; one whose friendship is earnestly sought after and who extends of his good nature to all. During his stay with us, John has impressed us deeply with his keen mind and on many occasions by quiet and unassuming work has helped Senior activities to success in what seemed certain failure. We expect great things from John and his friendship in the past will help us to remember him for what he is —a real, fine fellow.



EDWARD LAWRENCE MURPHY

(Larry)

League of the Sacred Heart 4.
President of Athletic Association 4.
XAVERIAN Staff 4.
Philoponia 4.
Latin Club 4.
Senior Council 4.
Chairman Prom Committee 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Football 4.
Annual Play 4.

"Larry" is a serious and earnest student; a quiet and consistent friend. "Larry" is never disturbed, but goes along in the even tenor of his way, but is always ready to help, if there be need of help. "Larry" jumped into the breach in the annual play, filling in the place of a character taken sick the Friday before the play. This prompt action and sacrifice on his behalf endeared him to his classmates to no small extent. A fellow like "Larry" cannot but succeed and we hope that in his success he will remember St. John's and the class of '28 always.



THOMAS FRANCIS MURPHY

(Tom)

League of the Sacred Heart 4.
Glee Club 4.
Finance Committee for Annual 4.
Senior Prom Committee 4.
Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.

"Tom's" wonderful smile won us to him the instant he joined our ranks. Quietly, without so much as raising his voice, "Tom" made himself felt early in the Senior year, when he was chosen to be one of the leads in the annual play. Due to a severe illness, he was forced to abandon his part in the production, but on his return to school pitched into the activities of the class with great energy. Always faithful to his books, "Tom" succeeded in coming within the first five of the class at every calling. Let us hope that the world in general will learn to cherish "Tom" as we have, because of his loyal-hearted friendship.



JOHN JOSEPH NOLAN

(John)

Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Diocesan Debating Team 4.
Glee Club 4.
Annual Concert Ticket Comm. 4.
Chemistry Club 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 4.

John came to us in our Senior year, and from the first hour made himself thoroughly at home, both in class activities and in his studies. By his natural dignity of bearing and his unaffected manner, he immediately captured our sentiments of approval and became a close friend to each member of the class. Remarkable in class work, John has often had his exceptional scholarship rewarded by testimonials. We shall always remember John as the sincere, earnest worker and diligent student.



THOMAS JOSEPH O'CONNOR

(Tom)

Glee Club 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Class Day Committee 4.
Play Advertising Committee 4.
Latin Club 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

St. John's may justly feel proud to have been honored with such a student as "Tom" turned out to be. His pleasant manner, coupled with charming manner of expressing himself and making his listener feel perfectly at home, have made his presence in any group most welcome. As a student, "Tom" can be said to have done very well. He has been an earnest and persistent worker in class activities and the success of the Senior class of this year in extra-curriculum activities can be traced in no small way to "Tom's" manly efforts. To you, "Tom," your classmates wish the best in your coming endeavors.



JAMES VINCENT POWERS

(Jim)

Play Program Committee 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Philoponia 4.

Commencement Day Committee 4.
Prom Favor Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

Endowed with a singular sense of humor, quiet though it be, and an aptitude for winning friends quickly and easily, "Jim" has forever established himself in the hearts of his classmates. Having devoted himself like the proverbial Trojan, to his books, his success has been commendable and his inborn talents have placed him in the foremost scholastic ranks of the class. "Jim," because of his perseverance in accomplishing anything he tackles, cannot but be successful in future life and to him, in parting, we bid, "God-speed!"



EDWARD JOSEPH QUINN

(Ed)

Secretary Good Fellowship Club 4.
Philoponia 4.
Basketball 3.
Football 3, 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Chemistry Club 4.

"Ed" is one of the happy-go-lucky type whom we are always glad to meet and with whom we enjoy forming friendship. Smiling, inimitable "Ed," has been the pride and joy of the class and his carefree, charming and confident manner have gained him many followers. When anything was to be done for St. John's, "Ed" could always be found in the foremost rank of the doers and his genial banter and many-sided personality will surely cause us to remember him for many years to come. We predict for "Ed" the quick achievement of the distinction he deserves.

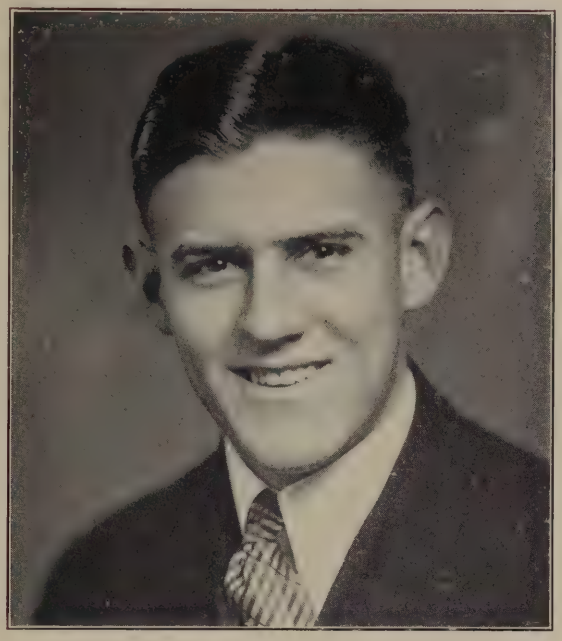


JOHN KELLEY REIDY

(John)

Captain Golf Team 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Orchestra 4.
Senior Prom Committee 4.
Philoponia Anniversary Comm. 4.
Chemistry Club 4.
Program Advertising Committee 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.

John, with his entrance into St. John's, brought golf with him and he and it have become a permanent part of good old St. John's. His pleasing personality and attractive disposition have caused him to be singled out by his classmates as one whose acquaintance would be many times worth cultivating. Withal, he has been an earnest student, and has studied as assiduously as he has played. John will leave St. John's with the well-wishes of his friends and classmates to urge him on to deeds of worth in the world. May he fulfill our highest hopes of him.



EARL WILFRED SANTIMAW

(Santy)

Chairman Advertising Comm. for Play 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Philoponia 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Vice-President Chemistry Club 4.
Vice-President Musical Clubs 4.

Earl, many-a-time and oft, burnt up the road between here and Rutland in his daily, and sometimes nightly, excursions to the big town. Distance certainly did lend enchantment, for Earl was always conspicuous at all our activities and made his worth felt. Earl has been a prominent figure in the building up of the musical clubs and his unrelenting energy in all that he tackled speaks well for his future success. Fortune should smile on you, Earl, and if wishes mean anything, your classmates will follow your lines of endeavor with careful eye and ever remember the smile that won your way into the hearts of all.

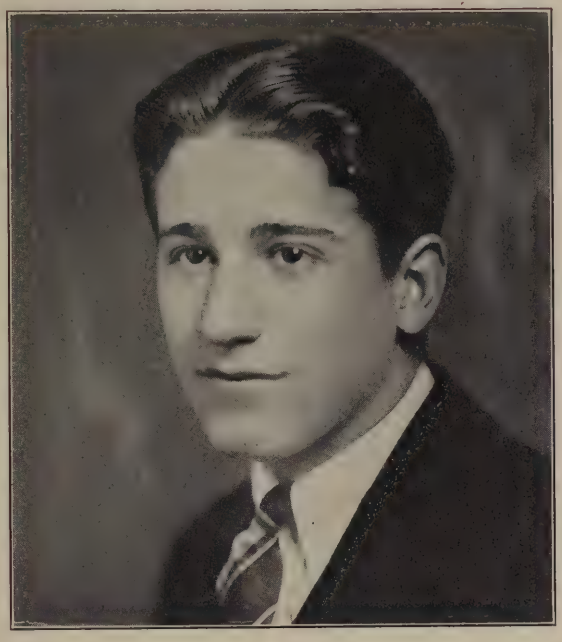


PETER EDWARD SCALES

(Pete)

Orchestra 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Football 3, 4.
Historian 4.
Glee Club 2.

We may forget, in the years to come, many things we have learned at St. John's, but one thing connected with St. John's and forming an integral part of the school, we will not forget and that is good, old "Pete." We consider it an unusual privilege to have known one of such pleasing personality. However, "Pete" has one overwhelming and devastating weakness—the Drums! In and out of time, always and every place, "Pete" seemed to be able to make the drums speak and that accounts for his being chosen to the drummer's position in the orchestra for two successive years. "Pete's" future appears prosperous indeed for his capabilities are not to be denied.



JOHN JOSEPH SEXTON

(Pep)

President of Senior Class.
Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Glee Club 2, 3, 4.
Associate Editor of Annual 4.
Senior Prom Committee.
Greek Club 4.

To narrate, fully and adequately, the high lights of "Pep's" career would require a skilled pen, indeed. Few in the class have attained so high a position in studies, and so high a character in the estimation of classmates as has "Pep." His popularity was proved in his senior year, when he was chosen to lead the class as president, and it was because of John's ever-faithful and earnest work that the success of the class of '28 was a reality. John is a scholar without guile, a gentleman without affectation, and a real worker for St. John's without thought of self-enhancement. In "Pep," St. John's loses one of its most admired characters, and if his work here can be considered an indication of what he can accomplish, we are confident that his deeds of the future will make the world sit up and take notice.



JOHN ANTHONY SHEA

(Tony)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
Glee Club 3, 4.
Latin Club 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Favor Committee for Prom 4.

In spite of two years spent in the pursuit of knowledge elsewhere, "Tony" breezed merrily into life at St. John's in our junior year, and gave it a touch of added merriment. His pleasant personality made him popular almost over night, and he was always the liveliest of any group in any room. He had an unlimited capacity for labor, and the energy and ability to accomplish all he undertook. He knew no failure; his knowledge was great and his vision broad. To "Tony" his classmates express sincere sorrow at impending parting, and hope that his hard work in activities of the past will be a prelude to his work in life in general.



JOSEPH MICHAEL SHEA

(Joe)

Class Treasurer 4.
Philoponia 4.
President of Greek Club 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Treasurer for Annual 4.
Assistant Editor of Annual 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.

"Joe" began right at the start of our Freshman year in gathering medals for the family display box, and hopes to add the last of his high school course this year. Then he intends to go to Holy Cross, where his quiet, but efficient way, of doing things will bring him great credit and deserved merit. His capacity for work and his sterling character have brought him the admiration of his classmates and teachers. His diligent attention to the academic phase of school life has frequently seen him leading the class at the periodic callings. To "Joe" the Class of '28 extends heartiest wishes for success in whatever lines of endeavor he may hereafter follow.



ARTHUR JOHN SPRING

(Artie)

Treasurer of Philoponia 4.
Glee Club 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Editor of Annual 4.
Diocesan Debater 4.
Secretary of Chemistry Club 4.
Latin Club 4.

Certainly, life at St. John's would have been dull without the pleasing presence of "Artie." His pleasing, manly personality and his ability as a student won for him the undivided admiration of his classmates. "Artie" was elected treasurer of the Philoponia, and fulfilled this office well, and succeeded in keeping the books in good order. To add to his laurels, he acquitted himself nobly in the diocesan debates, being a moving factor for the win of the negative team against Sacred Heart Academy. The culmination of his popularity was attested when he was chosen as editor of the first St. John's High School XAVERIAN. To Arthur, we wish for the future the success that his hard, persevering labors have given to him in the past.



JOHN JOSEPH SWEENEY

(John)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Glee Club 3, 4.
Publicity Manager for Play 4.
Philoponia 4.
Vice-President Latin Club 4.
Sports Writer for Annual 4.

It is rare that a class is blessed with such a sterling character as the class of '28 was, when our freshman year brought John to us. John was always in the foremost ranks of those eager to do very well in their studies, and his charitable dispensations in the canteen gained many friends for him. Always up and doing, John is greatly responsible for the tremendous publicity gained by the school during the past year, and his scribe qualities in sport lines can be perused at the back of the XAVERIAN. We do not doubt but that John will make his mark in the future, and we will always cherish fond recollections of his ability as a student and his kindness as a friend.



JAMES FRANCIS TINSLEY

(Curley)

League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Glee Club 4.
Latin Club 4.
Assistant Sport Editor for XAVERIAN 4.

"Curley's" everlasting good nature and his pleasing disposition won his way into our hearts immediately when he joined us in our junior year. Since his advent, "Curley" has always made his presence felt in the class, both by the work he accomplished in extra-curriculum activities, and by the many friends he gained through his pleasing characteristics. Never loud, but always guided by tireless zeal, he will make the world better for his presence. To "Curley," as he goes forth to conquer the unknown, we, his classmates, extend the best of luck.



ROLAND HENRY VIGEANT

(Vigy)

President of Musical Clubs 3, 4.
Philoponia 4.
Commencement Day Committee 4.
Musical Clubs Quartette 3, 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Prom Ticket Committee 4.
Business Staff of XAVERIAN 4.

Since his very first day in school, "Vigy" has sung his way into our hearts, and there remains abiding in the heart of each and every one of us, the careful influence that his friendship exercised over us. Always conservative, "Vigy" was greatly responsible for the first and second annual productions of the musical club, and by these two productions he drew down upon himself the commendation of classmates, friends, and public at large. "Vigy's" success in the future is assured by his genial disposition, his clear way of thinking and his indomitable will.



ALPHONSE STANLEY WOLANIN

(Al)

President of Chemistry Club 4.
Assistant Advertising Mgr. for Annual 4.
Philoponia 4.
League of the Sacred Heart 3, 4.
Good Fellowship Club 4.
Contributing Editor for XAVERIAN 4.
Prom Committee 4.

Few in the class have so endeared themselves to all by sincerity of manner as has "Al." Always St. John's first, seemed to be his motto, and he was ever at hand to attend and help the class activities to a successful end. We discovered early in his stay at St. John's that his scholarly attainments and splendid traits of character went hand in hand. His intellectual achievements earned for him the office of president of the Chemistry Club. We confidently expect "Al" to put the force into his future work that he put into everything he was connected with while at St. John's. To you, "Al," we bid a fond good-bye, and our hope and wish is that success may come to you.

Class Oration

"THIS is the day which the Lord hath made: let us be glad and rejoice therein." Such are the words that Holy Mother Church in exultant glee speaks forth on Easter Sunday in the Gradual of the Mass.

Truly, today is the day which the Lord hath made, and is a day of rejoicing for all of us. Today, we rejoice with you, kind friends, that we have reached the goal of our desires; and yet, paradoxical as it may seem, we are saddened to think that we are but beginners—infants in the arms of life. Saddened, I have said—why should we be saddened? Shall we embark upon the sea of life with a sad heart, without the strength that is born of confidence? Shall we be traitors to the teachings of our beloved faculty? Shall we, with childish fear, tremble at the so-called terrors of the dark, or shall we, like Ulysses of old, brave the tides and storms of both sea and land? To him who is a coward, I say: Be frightened; but to him who is not, I repeat, with Terence: *Fortes fortuna adiuvat.*

Fellow classmates, it is quite true that we are now about to launch our bark upon an unknown sea—tempestuous and treacherous—the sea of life. Upon the sea of life let us embark with a joyous heart—a heart symbolic of the confident. Life, though complex to the informed, and simple to the ignorant, has its Charybdis. Has it not its heights, as well? Has it not the summit of success, as well as the abyss of defeat? To those heights on the far-distant shore, encouraged by the fondest memory of our teachers—those brave souls of Christ, who have guided us in the past and who have trained us to be sea-faring men—let us, with that courage so natural to the sea, direct our bark.

Fellow classmates, the question naturally arises: Shall we reach that shore without mishap? Shall we, contrary to the teaching of our instructors, become a derelict—a danger to others; of no use to ourselves; a ship devoid of rudder—the plaything of the fickle currents of the deep? Shall

we be tossed upon the shores of despair, or upon the reefs of failure; or shall we be swallowed by the greedy waves of crime?

If, unfortunately, in the darkness we become shipwrecked, let us ring true to the spirit, to the example of our teachers, by remembering that on the shore there shines a beacon light to guide our way—the light of trust in God. In that hour our bark will be tried; let us hope that it will be found seaworthy.

Fellow classmates, this is our hour of parting—of saying "farewell" to old St. John's. Do not the cords of our heart-strings tighten as we wish to express our most reverent and sincere appreciation for the faculty of St. John's—the Xaverian Brothers? Do not our hearts swell with pride as we meditate on their life of unselfishness, a life given unstintedly of every corpuscle of its substance, that we may in time realize the true meaning of life and God?. When we consider that these men have sacrificed their love of home, and all its endearing charms and associations—yea, homes as comfortable and oftentimes more comfortable than ours—to be apostles of Catholic education, to direct youth unto the way of God, there swells up within us, if we are men, a spirit of gratitude and admiration for their unselfish life—yea, their religious life. These are real men—heroes all—trained in the secular and religious branches of knowledge. What greater men would any right-thinking man want for his instructors in the ways of secular and religious thought? Fellow classmates, have they not proved their worth in the past by their accomplishments in the secular branches? By their very life, are they not models of humility, self-sacrifice, and all the other virtues that embody the real man? Are they not living proof of that famous adage, "Example is greater than precept?" Do they not exemplify the real meaning of success—success measured not so much by material means as by the basic test—the spiritual? Do they not, fellow classmates, represent the answer to the question, "Why are we here on this comparatively small world?"

But am I not rambling? Are not all these words but idle talk, if we are to forget them, our teachers, almost as soon as we leave these portals? Are we not less than ingrates, if we only manifest our appreciation by idly talking, and not actively doing? Rather, let us, during the coming years, when prosperity is apt to blind our eyes, not forget to assist our

Alma Mater in whatever way we can with our talents and material co-operation.

To you, Reverend Brothers, it is hardest to voice our final thoughts of love and respect. As parting words to you, our teachers, we trust that you will understand the swelling of our hearts when we exclaim: "God bless you!"

To pass onward, without saying how grateful we are to our dearest friends on earth—mother and father—would be nothing less than brutal. Yes, worse than brutal, for even the beast is grateful to the hand that befriends it. Oh! How incomparable is the debt we owe to our parents? To them the days since we took our first awkward steps have passed far too quickly. To us, childhood, with its smiles and minor tragedies, has become but a blurred memory, but not so to them. Youth, accompanied by its vibrant, spirited action, is now within our grasp. Let us be faithful to their ideals, the ideals of Holy Mother Church, by not allowing the spirit of youth to run rampant, without the check of self-restraint.

Fellow classmates, let us always remember that our parents have been the greatest factor and influence in shaping our lives. From them we have our most precious heritage, the faith and the spirit of sacrifice. Shall we consider them as mere incidents in our lives, or shall we not idolize them as the epitome of love, devotion and self-sacrifice? I repeat, as in the case of our teachers, let us show our gratitude by our actions, rather than by our words. With filial love, dear parents, we speak our fondest love of you, uttering a prayer eternal that we may be worthy of you.

And now, to return once more, in final tribute to our Alma Mater. Oh! If we were but true sons of such a mother, would we not be thrilled with the utterance of her very name? Maybe not at present, but as our elders tell us, when years begin to tell upon us, and that serenity which comes with age begins to envelop us, then the retrospect brings tears and smiles to the alumnus of old St. John's.

Fellow classmates, we have now completed our course at St. John's—four years of joy and happiness have passed down the long and narrow river to the sea of time. During this time, we have had some of the happiest days of our life. These days, however, have passed into time. We

are no longer to be engaged as students in the activities of the school, but shall our devotion be stinted by that fact?

It is now our turn to leave the portals of our Alma Mater, to embrace a different sphere of activity—be it pursuing higher education or entering into the various enterprises of business. Now is the acceptable time to either make or break ourselves. Surely, we have hope that it will not be the latter. We have, one and all, been given an opportunity to redouble the talents given us by our ever-provident Creator. Shall we be false to them, or shall we be true to St. John's, and show Him our talents doubled? We are now about to meet the world face to face. Shall we not be men, and give to it our noblest traits of character, our highest demonstration of ability, our truest and tenderest devotion to every Brother and Sister?

In final tribute, before the curtain is lowered, let us render a silent prayer, that we may all do well, and act nobly, so that though we part, we may be always welcomed back to our Alma Mater—"Old St. John's."

Class History

FOUR years ago today, the present senior class of St. John's made their initial debut in high school, each one of us cherishing in his heart great ambitions: whether to secure athletic fame or to attain glory in our studies, or in forensic pursuits.

The motto that the class adopted was: *Aut viam inveniam aut faciam*—"Either find a way, or make one." The spirit with which the class adopted this motto may be seen throughout the following years, for in no undertaking did the present senior class of St. John's ever fail.

The first year found the class doing its utmost to attain honors—scholastically, athletically, and socially. In scholastic affairs, the class earned an enviable reputation. Every student of our class successfully passed into the sophomore year. Then, too, the coveted gold medal which St. John's awards yearly for excellency in studies was awarded to Joseph Shea, the president of our class. Incidentally, we may mention that he again secured the same honor in our sophomore year.

As to our athletic activities, we were prominently represented by "Connie" Fitzpatrick, reputed as one of the most versatile athletes that ever matriculated at St. John's, having secured honors in football, basketball and baseball. The ability of "Connie" Fitzpatrick is greatly enhanced when we consider that he played with such famous stars as Captain "Mike" Leahy, Walter Carroll and "Red" Brosnan, who afterwards added to their athletic fame by playing at Holy Cross. Thus, we completed our freshman year greatly benefitted by our freshman experiences.

With the advent of the September session of 1925, we were saddened to hear of the departure of our former principal, Brother Gerard, to labor in another field—Wichita, Kansas. Though burdened by this sad news, we were most favorably impressed by our new principal and leader, Brother Aloysius, who came to us from the St. Joseph's Juniorate of Peabody, Massachusetts, and who soon endeared himself to us by his kindly solicitude and energetic nature.

This year was to see many new successes for St. John's, among them being the locally famous musical clubs—the Glee Club and the Orchestra, which, though newly organized, represented our school most favorably in this new field. Our class, with true St. John's spirit, supported this extra-

curriculum activity whole-heartedly, by contributing not only its material aid, but a large number of its members to the ensemble as well.

It was during this year that Edward Farrell won the elocution contest, and Earl Santimaw won the Doherty Memorial Prize, which is awarded annually to the most industrious student.

Athletics, as well, drew a larger number than hitherto from our class. Our representatives were small in number, but what we gave was quality, rather than quantity, as may be seen by the accomplishments of "Connie" Fitzpatrick, "Pete" Scales and "Ed" Campbell. Beyond these few events, there was nothing extraordinarily impressive in our sophomore year.

The following September, we began again, assuming the rôle of juniors—a rôle that seemed to exclude us somewhat from the more childish stage we had previously held.

For the second time, we were confronted at the opening of school with sad news—Brother Aloysius had been transferred to a much larger institution, having been changed to St. Xavier's College, Louisville, Kentucky. This news was received by the student body with a sense of sorrow at his departure, coupled with gladness that he had been deemed by his superiors worthy of such an appointment. Truly, "our loss was their gain." The wound, though reopened, was somewhat refreshed by the glad news that one who had been one of us as an instructor for the past few years, and one who had already endeared himself to the student body, was to become our principal—Brother Carl. With the appointment of Brother Carl, there came to St. John's a man who was ever ready to give unstintedly of his energies, in order that greater progress might come to St. John's, and place it still higher in the educational, athletic and social life of our city. Surely, that progress has already borne fruit many times, as evidenced by the esteem in which St. John's is held throughout our city.

In this year we took a more active interest in all scholastic affairs—maybe, because we felt the honor of being Juniors; then, too, being older and more qualified to be participants as well as auxiliaries to the Seniors. Our Junior year was privileged in having Edward Farrell, winner of the previous year's oratorical contest, win a coveted place on the debating team.

It was during this year that the debating team, having already won the sectional debate, travelled to Springfield and was returned the victor —having in their possession the Bishop O'Leary Cup. Thus we share the honor with the previous senior class of helping to bring such a prize to our Alma Mater.

Athletics, during this year, profited more than ever by the number it enlisted from our class. It is our proud boast that we contributed some of the very best to the baseball, football, and basketball squads, among them being: C. Fitzpatrick, E. Campbell, E. Farrell, J. Burke, E. Quinn, J. Tinsley, and T. Hackett.

This year was not without its additional sorrow, for in October, one of our most popular classmates was taken by the angel of death to his eternal home. His death saddened us greatly, for Peter Lemanski had, in his short stay with us, gained possession of our hearts by his manly character. His loss was not less keenly felt by the football team, as well as the orchestra, for he was an eminently proficient member of both. The class, in memory of him, visited his home, recited the rosary, and the following day received Holy Communion at a Solemn High Mass that we had requested for his soul.

Now, the final year, the year of longing, the year to which we had long looked forward—when we should be dignified seniors or at least termed such, and respected as such by the unsophisticated under classmen—had now arrived. With it came a surprise in the change of our former teachers to other fields. Brother Kenneth had been transferred to St. Michael's Diocesan High of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Brother Jude to St. Mary's of Baltimore; and Brother John Evangelist to St. John's Prep of Danvers, Mass. The parting of friends is always hard, though part, oftimes they must, but with the parting we trust not the rejecting of memories that are made all the more precious by the keenness of our loss. Though our parting was hard, there yet remained some encouragement, for in their stead came Brother Campion, a product of our own school, and one-time president of the Philoponia; Brother Robert, from Louisville, Ky.; Brother Liguori, from Wheeling, W. Va.; and the return of Brother Clement, who was well known to all of us.

Our senior activities were more numerous than ever—as might be expected—athletics, for one, drawing many from our number. A slight perusal of our sporting section will help to inform anyone of our engagements in all sports. As a passing note we venture to say that the outstanding players of all sports were enlisted from among us, including such formidable stars as: Favulli, Fitzpatrick, and Grigaitis, for football; Fitzpatrick and Leary, for basketball; and "Jack" Reidy, for golf. At the time that this article goes to print, the baseball season has not quite started, but from every indication—if we are to believe the aphorism: "Future events cast their shadows before them"—our representative contingent will be the headliners.

Our athletic activities did not overshadow our literary endeavors, for during the year, so far past, the members of our class assisted in the production of the play: "Ain't It the Truth." In fact, the leading players were from us, including: Edward Farrell, Francis Clifford, and Kenneth McTigue (shall we ever forget him?) The success of our adventure may be justly measured by our performing for three consecutive nights to a crowded house each night.

We also listed some of the best talent in the Musical Clubs—John Conlin, trombonist, and Peter Scales, drummer, for the orchestra—not to mention the many who were actively engaged in Glee Club work. Incidentally, the president of the Musical Clubs was the soloist, Roland Vigeant, of the class of twenty-eight.

Our social activities should not be forgotten in the capacity of the Good Fellowship Club, which consists chiefly of seniors, and which under the supervision of the moderator, Brother Liguori, and president, Kenneth McTigue, held several successful dances.

The progressive spirit of the class of 1928 is most aptly shown by their ventures in founding three clubs, namely: the Latin Club, the Greek Club, and the Chemist Club, over which three seniors presided: John Conlin, Joseph Shea, and Alphonse Wolanin, respectively.

The class, as this XAVERIAN goes to print, has already made extensive plans for the Fourth Annual Promenade to be featured by Mal Hallett and his famous musicians. This crowning event, with the publication of this, the first XAVERIAN, will fittingly bring our high school career to a successful close.

And now for a parting word. From our very entrance into St. John's we have always had held up to us the adage: "Success comes to him who tries." Four years have now passed; we may now look back with a just feeling of satisfaction that we have tried to fulfill that adage as far as human effort will allow.

To our kind teachers, the Xaverian Brothers, who have labored so unsparingly for us, we have nothing but the highest esteem. May we ever fondly cherish those principles which these God-fearing men have always tried to inculcate into us by precept and by example. May their efforts be not in vain. As that heritage was given us four years ago, we now charge to the succeeding students of old St. John's. May we, and they, successfully fulfill the traditions that have been held sacred by our Alma Mater.



CLASS OFFICERS

G. Mulvey, *President* T. O'Keefe, *Vice-President* H. Herrick, *Secretary* J. Sullivan, *Treasurer*

Class Roll of Juniors

Andrzejczyk, Bronislaus
Bergstrom, Francis
Bourget, Louis
Bruso, George
Callahan, Edward
Callahan, Frederick
Carroll, Charles
Coulter, William
Coyle, John
Donohue, Chester
Farrell, John
Fisher, Francis
Grady, Warren
Hanrahan, Martin
Harding, Thomas
Herrick, Henry
Hobbs, William
Hogan, Robert
Houlihan, Joseph
Jacques, George
Kelley, Dennis
Killeen, John
Kuchnicki, Robert
Lajoie, Leo
Lemay, Hervey
Mahoney, James
Mallett, Edward
Mulvey, George
MacDermott, Charles
McDermott, Donald
McSheehey, T. C.
O'Connell, William
O'Day, John
O'Flynn, Hugh
O'Keefe, Thomas
Piszczaka, Francis
Power, Joseph
Power, John F.
Roche, Patrick
Ryan, Daniel
Sableski, Constantine
Sheehan, Edward
Smith, Henry
Stopyra, Walter
Sullivan, John P.
Wissell, Edward
Witkiewicz, Joseph



JUNIOR CLASS

Junior Class History

ON looking back over a short space of time, we see ourselves as Freshmen, entering the portals of St. John's High School for the first time. Ours was a distinguished Freshman class in many regards, as we were the first Freshman class in St. John's new school building, we were the first class to be divided into two divisions, and we entered school with the advent of a new principal, Brother Aloysius.

As there are but four class-rooms in the new school building, one-half our number were sent over to a room in the old building. Although we disliked the separation, we were consoled when we heard that it would be but a year when we would be united once again.

During our first year, we were not tempted to social events, for in our opinion, school was a purely educational establishment. We often spent hours on Latin, hoping that soon we would know at least one-half of what the teacher knew, but we discovered that to be a task far above our limited powers.

We all noticed, with envy, the Senior and Junior classes, and eagerly looked forward to the time when we should reach their places. Although beneath them, we were not to be outdone by them, for three of our number earned places on the basketball team and four on the baseball team.

Has anyone forgotten our first class outing? When we held our class meeting, what a fever of excitement there was! The question was, "What shall we have?" and then, "Where shall we have it?" We journeyed to Revere Beach on that lovely June day for a glorious picnic. Those brave lads who dared to venture into the icy waters, soon sought warmer climes. Then the thrill of riding on the roller coasters! There was many a one surprised to find himself whole when dusk arrived, for never before did we have so much fun in such a short time.

September came around slowly, after an uneventful summer, and we found ourselves Sophomores. Most of us were now self-conscious in the possession of long trousers, in which we tried to look perfectly at ease, but, of course, we had practiced wearing them all summer.

It was during this year that we contributed so much talent to the various clubs and societies of our alma mater. The Philoponia acquired many ardent debaters, while the Glee Club and Orchestra, by additions

from our class, found the "Lost Chord." Our class became much larger this year, as a consolidation of both first years was made.

At the beginning of school, we heard the sad news that our principal of the previous year, Brother Aloysius, was transferred to a new field of labor, as principal of a much larger school in Louisville, Ky. We were greeted by his successor, Brother Carl, who had been a member of our faculty for several years. It was under his guidance that we held our first election of class officers. Thomas O'Keefe became our first president, and he carried out the duties of his office with much credit. Brother Dennis Joseph, our Greek teacher, also left us during this year. He was succeeded by Brother Evangelist. Brothers Cosmas, Jude and Kenneth completed the teaching staff.

During this year, we continued to support athletics, four of our number playing on the football team, two on the basketball team and four on the baseball team. We were also represented on the debating teams by two Sophomores.

Our class returned one hundred per cent for the Junior year, and we were met by two new teachers in Brothers Campion and Robert. Brother Cosmas is still with us, and he took us under guidance in English and Geometry. He called for an election of officers, and George Mulvey was elected president. This year has been filled to the brim with activities, and it seems that the "Twenty-niners" are gluttons for work, as were the "Forty-niners" of old. The class of '29, so soon to take the realm of leadership in St. John's, extends its best wishes to the departing class of '28.

HUGH O'FLYNN, '29.



CLASS OFFICERS

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Class Roll of Sophomore A

COSGROVE, WILLIAM
CRONIN, FRANCIS
CUMMISKEY, DAVID
DONAHUE, CHARLES
DONOGHER, JAMES
FITZGIBBONS, JAMES
GLYNN, JOHN
FITZPATRICK, CHARLES
HAGGERTY, FRANCIS
HEALY, NICHOLAS
HOGAN, AUSTIN
KEANEY, FRANCIS
LYNCH, FRANCIS
LYNCH, ROBERT
MAHER, HENRY
MCGRADY, THOMAS
MCGRATH, JOHN
MURPHY, JEROME
O'BRIEN, WILLIAM R.
O'CONNOR, DANIEL
O'CONNOR, THOMAS
PAULOWSKI, FRANCIS
PERRON, RAYMOND
POWER, ROBERT
REARDON, PAUL
REYNOLDS, JOHN
ROURKE, JOSEPH
SKELLEY, EDWARD
STAPLETON, DAVID
SWEENEY, FRANCIS
TRUMP, JOHN



SOPHOMORE A CLASS



CLASS OFFICERS

J. McConologue, *Secretary* J. Mahoney, *Vice-President*
J. Harrahy, *Treasurer* J. Stradan, *President*

Class Roll of Sophomore B

Anderson, George
Connor, William
Degnan, John
Derry, Joseph
Dolan, Thomas
Doran, George
Dorsey, James
Finneran, Francis
Fitzpatrick, James
Gallagher, James
Harrahy, James
Haran, Joseph
Kalinowski, Stanley
Knox, John
Laycock, James
Lemerise, Leo
Mahoney, Joseph
Merrill, James
McConologue, James
O'Connor, George
Reidy, William
Ring, Timothy
Shine, Francis
Stradan, John
Terry, Paul
Wright, Robert



SOPHOMORE B CLASS

Sophomore Class History

IN the fall of 1926, about 75 boys entered St. John's from the grammar schools of the city. We had heard much about St. John's, and our cup of satisfaction seemed filled when, on the morning of September 6, 1926, we were ushered into St. John's Church, part of the student body of St. John's, for the Mass of the Holy Ghost. After Mass, we were greeted by Brother Carl, C.F.X., who as we afterward learned, had just been appointed principal, to succeed Brother Aloysius. Brother Carl decided that the Freshman class was entirely too large, and divided it into two sections. Accordingly, some thirty of us were led to a room in the new building, and the other thirty-five were assigned to the old building. We found the room very cheerful, and were soon occupied looking over the calendar of the year's activities, of which copies had been handed to us, and we eagerly scanned it for the holidays to be ours during the year. A fine way to start the year off, but we were only Freshmen then, and when the list of studies was handed out next, we knew we were in for a good year's work. We soon learned that we were to have Brother Kenneth as our teacher that year. Brother Jude and Brother John Evangelist also had a few subjects in our class.

We began early to take an interest in the activities of the school. Immediately after the marks for the first period were read, we elected officers. The following were elected for Freshman A: William Lynch, president; James Harrahy, vice-president; Robert Power, secretary, and William Reidy, treasurer. Results in Freshman B elections named John Stradan, president; Francis Shine, vice-president; John Ducharme, secretary, and John Weiss, treasurer.

Many of our number joined the football team in Freshman year, and made good, the most prominent among them being John Stradan. William Lynch made the first team during the basketball season, and contributed greatly to the great record piled up by the team that season. Austin Hogan was given charge of the orchestra for the year, and took quite a prominent part in the first concert of the combined musical clubs of the schoool. Most of our number entered the minstrel show, which was produced in the form of a revue, and was entitled, "On the Green."

When the end of the year rolled around, we enjoyed an outing at Revere Beach, accompanied by Brother Kenneth, who saw to it that all had a good time.

The summer rolled by quickly, and on our return to St. John's, we enrolled with the classes, and being somewhat sophisticated we set right down to work, but again, due to our large number, the class was divided, and for the first time in its history, St. John's was forced to have two Sophomore classes. A new teacher greeted us in each class. Those of us in the new building had Brother Liguori, C.F.X., and those in the old building were taught by Mr. Hubert McGrath, who is an alumnus of the school, a graduate of Holy Cross, and had taught at Brooklyn College Prep. and Massey Prep. Once again, it was time for class elections, and of section A, David Cummiskey was elected president, Austin Hogan, vice-president; Robert Lynch, secretary, and Thomas O'Connor, treasurer. Section B elected John Stradan, president; Joseph Mahoney, vice-president; James McConologue, secretary, and James Harrahy, treasurer.

We delved into the mysteries of Caesar, and solved the problems of Algebra, and gave much of our attention to Greek, English and History, and yet we had plenty of time for school activities. Brother Campion, Brother Cosmas and Brother Clement all had subjects in our classes, and soon, under their able tutelage, we began to surmount the difficulties of second year work.

On April 5, 1928, we were all grieved to hear of the death of Timothy Merrill of Sophomore B. Timothy had been absent for two weeks, fighting pneumonia, and he had done so well, during these two weeks, that we expected his complete recovery. Our sorrow then, can be easily imagined, when we heard of his death on Holy Thursday morning. The good Lord wanted him and which one of us would want to deny him to his Creator. On Holy Saturday morning we followed his remains to St. John's Cemetery, and as is the custom, a Solemn High Mass was said for his departed soul in St. John's Church, which the entire student body attended. All received Holy Communion for the repose of his soul. May God grant him peace.

Our class did great work in getting advertisements for the program for the annual play, and we were represented on the football field, on the basketball court and in the musical clubs. In fact, one of our number, Austin Hogan, was elected to be vice-president of the musical clubs.

So we are waiting for June to come, and with it the announcement that we have been promoted, and next year will ascend a step higher in our goal to be seniors at St. John's.

FRANCIS KEANEY, '30.



CLASS OFFICERS

F. Griffin, *Treasurer* T. Maguire, *Secretary*
G. Gallagher, *Vice-President* J. Preston, *President*

Class Roll of Freshman A

Birch, Francis
Burke, Edward
Callan, Thomas
Carroll, Francis
Conlin, Bernard
Cronin, John
Curran, Edward
Devoy, Robert
Dolan, John
Foley, James
Foley, Joseph
Ford, Francis
Gagen, John
Gallagher, George
Garrity, Charles
Goldsmith, Edmund
Grant, Thomas
Griffin, Francis
Howe, James
Kennedy, John
Maguire, Thomas
Markunas, John
McManus, John
O'Brien, Robert
O'Connor, William
Palladino, Ralph
Preston, James
Riordan, Michael
Robert, Hervé
Savko, George
Shields, John
Stapleton, Joseph
Sullivan, John
Sweeney, Carl
Teehan, Francis
White, Walter



FRESHMAN A CLASS



CLASS OFFICERS

W. Buckley, *Vice-President*
P. Pianowski, *Secretary-Treasurer* F. Hennigan, *President*

Class Roll of Freshman B

Barry, John
Bennett, John
Bergin, George
Bolduc, Everett
Buckley, William
Campbell, Henry
Creen, Andrew
Cummins, John
Degrenier, Clifford
Donahue, Joseph
Dubuque, Normand
Erickson, Reinhold
Fitzgibbons, Joseph
Handlin, James
Hennigan, Francis
Keaney, Thomas
Kennedy, James
Kirby, Paul E.
Lajoie, Roland
Liberty, Frederick
Maillet, Wilfred
McCaffrey, Joseph
McCarthy, John
McManus, Vincent
Parker, Daniel
Parolis, Peter
Pianowski, Peter
Pine, Leon
Plante, Rodole
Power, Edmund
Quinn, John J.
Ragalauskas, John
Reidy, Frank
Sullivan, John
Thompson, William
Tremblay, Wilfred
Whallen, Paul



FRESHMAN B CLASS

Freshman Class History

ON the day after Labor Day, last September, with proud step, now that we were to be pupils at St. John's High School, we walked down to the school yard, where, after a few minutes, Brother Carl, C.F.X., principal of school, greeted us, and forming us in line, led us over to Church to attend the Mass of the Holy Ghost. After Mass, we marched over to the school gymnasium, where Brother Carl read out the rules and regulations of the school, and informed us what would be expected of us, now that we were high school pupils.

After the rules had been read, we were assigned to our classes, and found that, because 92 boys had reported for the Freshman class, the class had to be divided. Freshman A was sent to a room in the new building, and Freshman B went to the old building. Brother Robert was assigned to Freshman A as class teacher, and Brothers Liguori and Ricardus were assigned to the same class as associate teachers. Brother Clement, who had been in Worcester previously, as we afterward learned, took charge of Freshman B, with Mr. Hubert McGrath as an associate teacher.

It was not long before things began to hum. Immediately after the first day of school, in fact, the very first day, we were given lessons to do for the following day, and from that day to this, it has been a steady grind.

At the beginning of October, class elections were held, and the result in Freshman A made James Preston, president; George Gallagher, vice-president; Thomas Maguire, secretary, and Francis Griffin, treasurer. Freshman B elected the following officers: Francis Hennigan, president; William Buckley, vice-president; Peter Pianowski, secretary-treasurer. Immediately, we set to work on the various school activities, and planned for various affairs during the year.

Freshman B decided on a plan to collect weekly dues to finance an outing at the end of the school year. This plan met with the approval of all, and they had done so well by Christmas that they had a Christmas party in the Philoponia, at which members of the faculty were present. Now we are all looking forward to the big outing at the end of the year, when we will be united again, and have a fine time.

We think that it can be said, with more truth than poetry, that the Freshman class of St. John's this year certainly did its share in every phase of school activity. We made the senior class work hard to come first

in getting advertisements for the annual program, and we helped the seniors with this year book by bringing in a great many "ads." We also joined, in numbers, the Glee Club, the Philoponia and the orchestra, and we have heard it said that one of our classmates, Peter Pianowski, is one of the best members of the Philoponia. As far as athletics go, we did our share. The gridiron and the oval saw many Freshmen trying out for the different teams, and some succeeded in getting a place on the varsity squads. Notable among these were Thomas Keaney and Walter White, on the football team; Edward Curran, on the basketball team, as well as Edmund Goldsmith and Walter White. We even have a few who wear the coveted S. J. in our class.

Although but lowly Freshmen, we are confident that we have done our share towards forwarding every activity in the school life of St. John's, and although we have longingly looked forward to the time when we would be Seniors, yet it is with genuine sorrow that we bid farewell to the class of '28, for we have learned to admire each and every one of them.

FRANCIS HENNIGAN, '31.



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

League of the Sacred Heart

Since June 11, 1895, all pupils of St. John's School have been enrolled as members of the League of the Sacred Heart. Probably in no other school in the country is devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus practiced more faithfully than at St. John's. Every morning each class begins the day by reciting the "Morning Offering" and our principal, Brother Carl, C.F.X., has introduced the custom of having the entire school assemble in St. John's Upper Church on the First Friday at 8 o'clock, where the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is usually celebrated by the Rev. Edward J. Fitzgerald, P.R., our pastor, who is moderator of the League. It has also become the custom for all pupils to receive Holy Communion at this Mass, thus fostering in the hearts of all a sincere and knowing love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Leaflets are distributed every month to the pupils and many of us are better men, because of the many little trials we willingly bear and offer in a spirit of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

JOHN REIDY, '28.



BROTHER CLEMENT, C.F.X.

Brother Clement, C. F. X.

It is indeed a distinguished honor for us, the Class of 1928, to be permitted to extend to Brother Clement, on behalf of ourselves and the underclassmen, our sincere congratulations on the twenty-fifth anniversary of his receiving the habit of the Xaverian Brothers.

In his twenty-five years, good Brother Clement has taught at Wheeling, W. Va., Lowell, Manchester, Louisville, Clarksburg, and is now spending his second assignment at Worcester.

During his seven-year residence at Worcester and St. John's, Brother Clement, by his kindness and his never-failing interest in all our joys and sorrows, has endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact. His boys have always been noted for their devotedness to Alma Mater, and the thorough work done by the pupils of his classes has been attested to by the success already attained by the many who have already left school and college days behind them.

To you then, Brother Clement, we extend heart-felt greetings on your silver jubilee and it is our earnest hope and fervent prayer that you may be saved to us and those like us, who thirst after Catholic education, for many a year to come.

JOHN SEXTON, '28.



PHILOPONIA SOCIETY OFFICERS

A. Spring, *Treasurer* T. Leary, *Vice-President*
H. Herrick, *Secretary* E. Farrell, *President* C. Carroll, *Sergeant-at-Arms*

Philoponia Literary and Debating Society

JUST twenty-one years ago, the pupils of St. John's became imbued with the desire of forming a debating society. They approached Brother Thomas, C.F.X., the principal of the school, on the question, and he promised to take the matter into consideration. After talking it over with Brother Henry, C.F.X., Brother Thomas decided to grant the permission requested, and a night was set apart for the forming of this society. On the appointed night, sixteen appeared, and formed the nucleus of what is now known throughout the City of Worcester as the most firmly established debating society in any school in the city. Brother Henry, C.F.X., presented the name of Philoponia to the society, saying that it was indicative of the work the boys would have to do to make a success of the venture; Philoponia meaning lovers of labor.

The twenty-one years have proven that the foundation was firm. We can trace many victories with our memory pen through the years, and we find that St. John's and the Philoponia have been most successful. During

the incumbency of Bishop Beaven, diocesan debates were begun in all the Catholic high schools of the city, and though at first the Philoponia did not attain the success that the members valiantly fought to attain, yet for ten years after the founding of the society, a double victory in the diocesan debates and the consequent possession of the Bishop Beaven Shield for a year was denied them.

However, the tenth anniversary of the society saw ten years of ardent labor rewarded, for it was in the year of 1918 that, for the first time, St. John's gained possession of the shield. Within the space of seven years, the Philoponia gained possession of the shield three times, and by this wonderful exhibition of forensic ability, became the proud possessor for all time of the coveted trophy. Today, this gift of Bishop Beaven's hangs on the walls of the Philoponia, and is a mute testimony of the tremendous work accomplished in debating by devoted Xaverian Brothers, who labored so zealously and unflinchingly in days passed.

In 1923, Bishop O'Leary offered a cup for the winner of the diocesan debates, this cup to become the permanent possession of that school winning it three times. St. John's and the Philoponia again strove with might and main to bring this new trophy to Temple Street. Debating in the diocese had reached such a high plane, however, that all the schools entered into these contests were very highly tuned for the encounters. Although St. John's did not win the cup in 1924, the following year saw the Philoponia successful, and the Bishop O'Leary cup, for the first time, was brought to Temple Street.

In April, of 1925, the members of the society did not report to the



PHILOPONIA CLUB ROOM



DIOCESAN DEBATING TEAM

Standing—H. Smith, J. Nolan, J. Farrell, D. Grady
Seated—H. Herrick, F. Clifford, E. Farrell, J. Conlin, A. Spring

meetings in the usual large numbers, and because of this fact, the Philoponia all but discontinued its meetings. However, the following September, Brother Aloysius, C.F.X., was appointed principal of the school, and since he realized that the great renown of St. John's of Worcester, in debating, had to be sustained, he decided to reintroduce regular meetings of the society. Scarcely a month of the school year had passed, before he appointed Brother Carl, C.F.X., as moderator of the Philoponia. The new moderator took the entire burden of the work upon his shoulders, and set to his task with unremitting zeal. He introduced dramatics into the Philoponia, and on Thanksgiving evening, of the year 1925, and the night after, the Philoponia produced the play, "My Uncle From India," in wonderful style. Immediately after the production, due to the kindness of the pastor, Father Fitzgerald, the old chemistry room was taken over by the society and completely refitted, and has since served as a meeting place for members of the society.

Before June, 1926, the members had purchased a fine player-piano, an Orthophonic Victrola, a pool table, and had subscribed to twenty-six different magazines. Therefore, at the beginning of our Junior year, the society was in perfect working order. Weekly meetings were held, a constitution was drawn up and printed, and copies thereof were distributed

to the members. The meeting night was changed from Thursday to Sunday, and it has been held on that night ever since.

In May, 1927, Edward Farrell, of our class, was elected president of the society, Timothy Leary was elected vice-president, and Arthur Spring was elected to the office of treasurer. Henry Herrick and Charles Carroll, of the class of 1929, were elected to the office of secretary and sergeant-at-arms, respectively. Knowing "Ed" well, we knew that under his leadership the society could not but be successful.

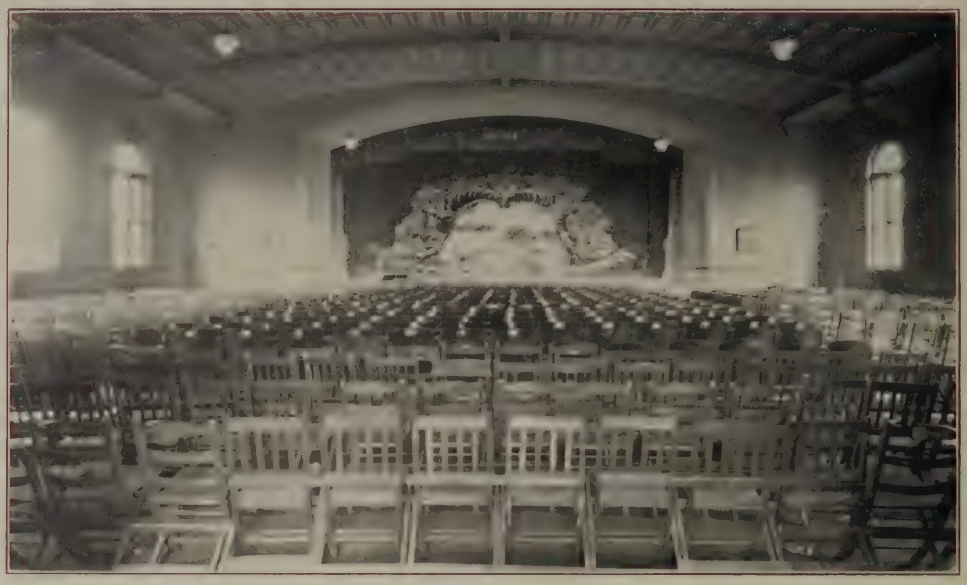
At the beginning of this scholastic year, a program was drawn up by the president of the society for every Sunday night of the year. The society had grown to a membership of sixty-five, and it was thought for a while that the club would have to be extended, but the majority ruled against it as unwise, and we have since learned that we can get along very well with our present quarters.

During the past year, every member of the society has been in at least three debates, and all have learned the rules of parliamentary law to a nicety.

For the first time in the history of the society, and of the school, it was decided to produce the annual play on three successive nights, Thanksgiving night, the night before and the night after, being chosen by Brother Carl. All the members of the society went to work with a will to make it



"AIN'T IT THE TRUTH"



ST. JOHN'S HIGH SCHOOL HALL

the best in the annals of the Philoponia. The play chosen was, "Ain't It the Truth," and those chosen for the cast were Edward Farrell, Henry Herrick, Thomas Murphy, Kenneth McTigue and Francis Clifford. The members of the society were assisted in this production by Miss Louise Deedy, Miss Helen Walsh, Miss Loretta O'Malley and Miss Alice Moore. Two weeks before the play, the members had brought in almost $1000 in advertisements for the program, and when the play was produced, for the children of the parish, on the Sunday preceding its public presentation, the hall was crowded to overflowing.

For the play itself, the hall was jammed on the three nights. It has been estimated that 2700 people saw the play, as produced by the members of the Philoponia, and that estimate was given by the ticket committee after the returns had all been checked up. The acting of Henry Herrick, who had the lead, and Kenneth McTigue was frequently applauded, and Edward Farrell, with Miss Louise Deedy, Miss Helen Walsh, Miss Loretta O'Malley, Miss Alice Moore, received commendation from all sides. Certainly, from all angles, it was the best play ever produced at St. John's, and the crowds attending attested to the popularity of productions given by the Philoponia Literary and Debating Society.

With the play over, we turned our thoughts back to debating, and we had not long to wait, for on December 18th, we received word from the Rt. Rev. Bishop that the preliminary debates were to be held throughout the diocese on the evening of February 6. After careful consultation, Brother Carl, C.F.X., chose the following to represent the school and society: For the affirmative, John Conlin, Francis Clifford, with Henry

Herrick as captain and John Farrell as alternate; for the negative, Arthur Spring, Daniel Grady, with Edward Farrell as captain and Henry Smith as alternate. John Nolan was chosen alternate-at-large. The chosen debaters set to work immediately, and gave up their Christmas holidays in preparation for the debate. The question, one of the most difficult in years, was: "Resolved, That amendments to the Constitution of the United States should be adopted only when approved by popular vote in three-fourths of the States." All during the month of January, it was grind and work, and work and grind every night, with two of the alumni, John McGrath and James McCarthy, helping Brother Carl to coach us, but before the debate, one of the greatest activities in the history of the society took place.

Twentieth Anniversary Celebration

Since the twentieth anniversary of the society would occur on the night of the debate, Brother Carl, C.F.X., moderator, decided to hold the twentieth anniversary celebration on February 5th. Great plans were made for this affair, and early in the planning it was easily seen that the affair would be a huge success. It was decided to hold the anniversary in the gymnasium in the form of a banquet, after which there would be speaking. Well, the greatest night the Philoponia has ever seen came, and the gymnasium was beautifully decorated. Tables had been tastefully arranged on the playing surface, and the gymnasium was a beautiful sight. The banquet, as served by the Lunt Catering Company of this city, left nothing to be desired, and after being entertained by Perc Butler's Barbecue Inn Orchestra, we turned our thoughts over to consideration of other days.

The toastmastership was ably handled by Daniel A. Donoghue, a former member of the Philoponia, and a worthy alumnus of St. John's, and Mr. Donoghue introduced, as the first speaker of the evening, Brother Thomas, C.F.X., the founder of the society, who had come all the way from Baltimore to attend this celebration. Brother Thomas received an enthusiastic reception from the 218 members and the former members present, and in his talk on "The Foundation of the Philoponia," it could be easily perceived that the welcome had gone straight to his heart. The Philoponia was honored by having, on this occasion, the attendance of Brother Paul, C.F.X., Provincial of the American Province of the Xaverian Brothers, who followed Brother Thomas, and spoke in glowing terms of the work the Philoponia was doing and would continue to do. The Rev. Martin Tracy, a charter member, was the next speaker, and Father Tracy, in speaking on "The Worth of the Philoponia," left nothing to be desired. Rev. William A. Foran, of the class of '13, always an ardent follower of Philoponia and its activities, gave a powerful address on "St. John's and the Philoponia." The Rev. Francis X. Downey, Dean of Studies at Holy Cross College, had as his subject, "Public Speaking and the Philoponia." Father Downey, who has watched the activities of the Philoponia for four years with growing interest, spoke in a most commendatory way of the Philoponia. The next speaker of the evening was Mayor Michael J. O'Hara, who, for the past years, has frequently shown his interest in St.

John's and all that relates to the Philoponia. The Mayor spoke on "The Purpose of the Philoponia," and surprised us at his knowledge of the doings of the society.

Shortly after the Mayor's address, Father Fitzgerald gave a wonderful talk on the accomplishments of the Philoponia, when he spoke on the subject, "The Philoponia as I Know It." He took the occasion to thank the members and moderator for the great help the Philoponia has been to St. John's, and spoke in glowing terms of its activities. Mr. John McGrath, of the class of 1915, was then called upon, and had as his subject, "The Second Decade of Philoponia Success," and he was followed by the last speaker of the evening, Brother Henry, C.F.X., co-founder with Brother Thomas, of the society in 1908. Brother Henry gave "Impressions of the Philoponia After Twenty Years," and ended by congratulating all who had, in the past twenty years, been in charge of the Philoponia. All in all, it was a marvelous night, the best we have yet had, and we will preserve memories of it forever.

Further Activities

On the next night, February 6th, we celebrated the twentieth anniversary of the society by winning both sides of the debate. We defeated Sacred Heart Academy in Sacred Heart Hall, and St. Mary's High of Milford in our own hall. As Cathedral High, of Springfield, had won both sides of the debate in the western section of the diocese, we were appointed to meet them in our own hall on February 27th. On the appointed night, the hall was crowded, and after a forensic encounter, the decision was given to Cathedral High of Springfield, it being the first time Cathedral has ever won the cup. The cup has been won once each by St. Mary's High of Milford, St. Joseph's High of Pittsfield, and Cathedral High of Springfield, St. John's and the Philoponia having won it twice.

Immediately after the debate, we started preparing for trials for the national and international oratorical contest, and after the trials were held, Edward Farrell, president of the Philoponia, was chosen to represent the society at the district finals.

Other members of the society at the present writing are preparing to debate the St. John's Prep. team, some time in May. The B. J. F. Debating Society of Holy Cross donated a cup last year, for debates between the two schools, this cup to become the permanent possession of the school winning it three times. The Philoponia is preparing strenuously to bring the cup to St. John's this year, to adorn the club rooms of the society.

In closing this article, it can be truthfully said that this has been the most prosperous year in the annals of the Philoponia, and we earnestly hope that our successors will continue to uphold the good name of the society, which it has taken twenty years of tremendous labor to gain.

Leo Brosnan, '28.



The coveted Beaven Shield, of which the Philoponia is now the proud permanent possessor, came to the club because of the forensic ability of its members in debating. Over a space of nine years, eight of the diocesan high schools battled for the permanent possession of it and St. John's having won it three times, in 1918, 1922 and 1923, is the only school in the diocese the proud displayer of a permanent diocesan debating trophy.

Debating Trophies

The Bishop O'Leary Cup which has twice been won by the debaters of St. John's and the Philoponia. St. John's held the cup, indicative of the diocesan championship, during the years of 1925 and 1927. One more win, will give St. John's permanent possession of this prized reward. St. John's has won the diocesan championship of Worcester County for the past four years.



ADDRESS GIVEN AT THE

Twentieth Anniversary Celebration of the Philoponia

By REV. WILLIAM A. FORAN, '13

REV. FATHERS, Rev. Brothers, and men of St. John's:

No graduate of this school, who knows the true glory of its history and the triumph of its achievements, would consider himself equal to a toast worthy of old Saint John's and the Philoponia.

Yet, on an occasion like this, we must do our feeble best to pay tribute to an Alma Mater as dear to us as any school in the land can be to the scholars she has mothered in the way of virtue and knowledge and truth.

However, it is hardly an occasion for lengthy retrospect of the high lights which made brilliant the trail of years winding back to 1908 or 1894, or beyond it to the pioneer days of our grand old parish. That story has already been graphically told in printed word for our happy perusal, and needs no added touch to perfect it.

Rather would I turn from the past to focus a searchlight on the present —the doorway of the future. Rather would I envision for a few serious moments the character and inspiration, the well-spring of life in these institutions—St. John's, the sturdy vine, and the Philoponia, its fruitful branch.

For our school has a character all its own. It is different from the schools that the world has built around us. And if you would gauge the essential value of old St. John's, just pause to examine the sharp contrast between it and its typical rival. What does the secular school say to the anxious yearnings of the young heart, so restless, so unfixed, ever longing for a union with something better, nobler, more God-like than itself? Its answer is little better than a cynical materialism—"Save yourself if you can." For the secular school is of the earth—earthly; its horizon ends with the visible world; there is no background of a blessed eternity coloring its curriculum. Its perishable offerings can give no solace to the heart-ache of immortal, imperishable youth. Nor has it any safeguard to offer in the way of moral stamina. Its system can never suffice of itself to keep unsullied the innocence of the youthful heart. The whole of its educational structure is built on shifting sand.

When the storm of passion rages in the soul, when the waves of lust or anger or envy roll, can some scientific Neptune by raising aloft the omnipotent trident of a modern text-book bid their restless agitation cease and their angry waves be still?

No, it takes a rock-bound fortress to withstand these buffetings; it requires an educational stronghold like old St. John's.

Yes, St. John's is different: it is a Catholic school. Its active interest goes far beyond the contents of an ordinary text book or the limits of earthly sciences. Its gaze searches the far-off shore of another life. St. John's school is an outpost of eternity. Therefore, it must, by nature, wage fierce battle against these doctrinaires of modern education—men who would plant the gods of Babylon in the holy land of Israel.

Here Faith and Reason focus in one clear spot light.

Here education is not estimated as a mere cramming of the mind with facts and theories any more than good health is the stuffing of one's self with food.

Within these sacred walls there is no rudderless training of the mind, but a training with balance to it, and with far-sighted purpose. For here the boy's will power is schooled to use properly the imparted knowledge, and his heart is made susceptible to the noblest of motives—the imitation of the God-Man, the Master Teacher of the ages. He is made to recognize the minimum condition of Christian citizenship and sterling manhood—"Deny Thyself"—in order that self-discipline may work its miracle of beautiful self control. Within these halls of old St. John's the teacher is not merely a preceptor: he is an exemplar. The geniuses of our hallowed classrooms are gathered from a band of men who stand in the very vanguard of Catholic educators of youth.

As one vine entwines itself around another supporting it and strengthening it, so our school has been propped and pillared in the embrace of a giant tendril, the congregation of St. Francis Xavier. So intimately are these two vines locked together that no woodsman dare apply the ax to one lest he deal a death blow to the other. These noble men have been a vital part of this great school. Each generation of boys has found a hero here in the person of some Xaverian Brother—an Urban or a Boniface or a Robert or an Anselm or a Gerard or Pascal or Carl—but crowning them all and clasped tightly by our very heart strings, enshrined securely in our affections now and forever, are the deathless names of Brothers Henry and Thomas.

Ah, we have to grow somewhat in years to appreciate more fully the services of these men. The deep significance of their work is perhaps lost to the student in the golden springtime of his school days.

We have to glimpse the new menace to our boyhood from that growing horde of pagan, godless teachers in order to know the priceless value of these champions of Christian education.

We have to sense the stealthy tactics of those enemies who would poison our precious vine and branch, who would make our educational plant arid like themselves—leaves only leaves; all foliage, no fruit! With no exaggeration, let it be said that today the Satanic spider of hell works furiously to spin his web around the nurseries of youth; and the world, like a willing tool, spins with him. For the world has gone astray from him who made it, and has forsaken his Christ.

Oh, mark it well, you men of old St. John's—this world is more than ever your battleground against enemies as cunning as they are powerful.

Think—what is the prize they strive for? Human souls. Consider the leaders of each encampment! Christ and Satan. You, of all men, cannot compromise. You can fight on only one side. You cannot hedge as those who have sworn to fight under the banner of our Divine King, yet have deserted His standard and gone over to the enemy. They carry the enemy's colors, they speak his language, they whisper his watchwords, they use his weapons, yet when these faithless Christians are rightly labeled traitors, they apologize for betrayal of Christ by giving the lie to His own words; they try to claim they can serve two masters, God and Mammon.

Tonight, therefore, your Alma Mater summons you anew, holding up the old ideals, warning you that all along the line the black banners of the Evil One are waving even among our own forces. Sin in all its forms—a contempt for holiness, a passion for wealth and pleasure, sensuality ending in unbelief, is working deadly havoc among the youth of this land. Shall you sit still and choose the easy life, the comfort of the fool who promised himself the morrow that never came? Shall you stand by with folded arms, and, as is the fashion, talk glibly of the wonder-working of the modern world, of evolution and of progress, of the "pig philosophy" of the pleasure glutton? And all the while your arch enemy blinds men with the dust of gold, wraps them in the mists of pride, and goes his way rejoicing to hear his own watchwords on the lips of the children of God.

No, you cannot rest while the banners of Christ are in peril; and you never will rest if the spirit of this school still thrills your hearts and nerves your souls with daring.

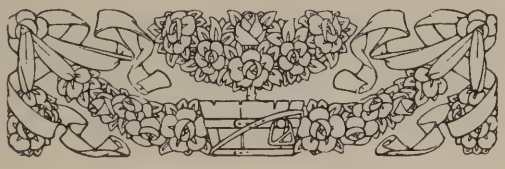
Stand forward, then, you sons of old St. John's! It is not I that calls you, it is your Divine King.

From His high place at the right hand of the Father, from His bed of pain on the cross, from the prisons of our altar tabernacles where He abides to watch and control the struggle, and marshall His hosts for victory, your Divine Captain is calling you, and it needs no great learning to interpret His message, which is a command; for it takes articulate shape—and—echoed by the voices of His priests, His Brothers, His gallant disciples

of today—it says to you: Come, arm for the struggle! You are my fighters now! Find your safety in the midst of my battles!

He that is not with me is against me. He that gathereth not with me scattereth.

Let the mad world go spinning on in its witch's dance, whipped with the scorpions of demons. But you acquit yourselves like disciplined Christians, like sons of God, like heirs of immortality, and by the knowledge which Christ's faith alone can bring, and by the courage which His cause alone can kindle, and by the character-strength which your training here alone can furnish, in word and example, show forth to all who are willing to see, the treasures you guard as Catholic sons of old St. John's.





SENIOR COUNCIL

Standing—M. Favulli, L. Murphy, C. Fitzpatrick
Sitting—J. Grigaitis, E. Campbell, *Chairman*, E. Farrell

Senior Council

The Senior Council of St. John's High School is composed of leaders in class and school activities. The purpose of the council is to prevent endless discussions at class meetings and to facilitate orderly progress by taking care of those questions which arise and would be better settled by a few, rather than by the entire student body.

It is to the Senior Council that the success of the Twentieth Anniversary Celebration of the Philoponia is largely due. The Senior Council is also a means, used by the faculty for preventing at all times any abuses that may arise in the school system. The Senior Council has done excellent work to date and great credit is due to Chairman Campbell and his fellow-workers for the perfect order and discipline of school life.

Thomas O'Connor, '28.



OFFICERS

J. Reidy, *Secretary* — E. Quinn, *Treasurer*
L. Murphy, *Vice-President* — K. McTigue, *President*

Good Fellowship Club

The Good Fellowship Club of St. John's was formed in our Junior Year by Brother Carl, C.F.X., for the purpose of promoting greater ties of friendship between the student body, the parents and the teachers. The work that the club has already performed along these lines has been remarkable. Under the leadership of Kenneth McTigue, president of the club, the series of dances that have taken place in our gymnasium have cultured a greater feeling of friendliness among the pupils themselves and all feel that they need go no other place, but to St. John's to have a real, fine

time. Brother Liguori, C.F.X., was appointed our moderator this year, and his great interest in our affairs has been largely responsible for their success. May the Good Fellowship Club become second only to the Philoponia in the great amount of work it is doing to arouse the school spirit of the pupils of St. John's and we, the class of 1928, will rightly feel that we have in some measure left to St. John's a heritage that is well worth while.

EDWARD QUINN,'28.



MEMBERS OF GOOD FELLOWSHIP CLUB



First Row—W. E. Henry, L. Bourget, E. Farrell, W. Stopyra, J. Coyle, W. White
Second Row—L. Murphy, D. Grady, H. O'Flynn, H. Lemay, F. Bergstrom
Third Row—G. Jacques, C. Sableski, M. Favulli, C. Fitzpatrick
Fourth Row—J. Grigaitis, E. Campbell, P. Scales, J. Stradan

S. J. Club

What glory on the gridiron, the basketball court and the diamond, the S. J. Club has brought to good old St. John's is well known. In all sports, under all conditions, victory or defeat, those wearing the honored insignia of Alma Mater, have ever realized the trust they carried with them. Many a story could be told of fighting against heavy odds, overcoming physical handicaps incurred while playing and ever holding aloft unsullied the banner of St. John's. We will let the emblem tell that story, for who knows just what hardships, physical and otherwise, the holders of this coveted honor performed and bore gladly for the greater prestige of Alma Mater. Suffice it to say that we are proud of these manly characters. Some will go forth in June to other fields of endeavor and let those who remain, keep unsullied as in years past, the glory, the honor and the reputation of St. John's.

Walter F. Henry, '28.



LATIN CLUB OFFICERS

JOHN SWEENEY, *Secretary* LAWRENCE MURPHY, *Vice-President* JOHN CONLIN, *President*

Latin Club

At the beginning of our Senior Year, under the ever-guiding hand of Brother Campion, teacher of the classics at St. John's, a new society was formed, called the Latin Club. Those eligible to join the club, were Seniors, who had completed three years of latin with an average of 85 per cent or over for each of the three years.

At the first meeting held, Brother Campion was proud to see that twenty-five Seniors had answered the call and had been certified by the principal as having attained an average, for each of the three years of Latin, of 85 per cent or over. After a few short, complimentary words, Brother Campion decided it would be best to elect officers, so that we could

conduct the meetings ourselves. The members of the club were unanimous in their choice of John Conlin for president, John being an earnest Latin student and popular with the class in general. The other officers chosen were Lawrence Murphy, vice-president and John Sweeney, secretary.

A set of rules indicative of the procedure of the meetings was drawn up and the explained purpose of the society was to foster an increased interest among the pupils of the school in the study of Latin.

The club progressed with surprising rapidity. By far the best meeting at the current writing was held on March 16, 1928. From the time that President Conlin opened the meeting until adjournment, the members discussed pro and con the Aeneid and the life of the author, the works of Ovid and Caesar's Gallic War. John Sexton read a paper at this meeting on "The Character of Cicero" and that his delineation of the scholar was admirable, was proved when Brother Campion congratulated him publicly, at the end of the meeting, on the wealth of material contained in his work.

At one of the later meetings a debate took place on the question, Resolved, "That the study of Latin should be compulsory in the first year of high school at least." Daniel Grady and Thomas Dillon upheld the affirmative, while Lawrence Murphy and James Burke upheld the negative. The affirmative team was granted the decision, because of more weighty arguments.

The Latin Club has become a very popular adjunct to the study of Latin and we fervently hope that the years to come will see it grow at St. John's and become well-nigh indispensable.

EDWARD FARRELL, '28.



GREEK CLUB OFFICERS
FRANCIS CLIFFORD, *Vice-President* WILLIAM MCGRATH, *Secretary*
JOSEPH SHEA, *President*

Greek Club

The Greek students of the Senior Class of St. John's High School, realizing the benefits of the study of Greek literature, decided, early in the year, to organize a Greek Club, to the membership of which all in the Senior Class who were occupied in the study of Greek, could belong.

Because of the novelty of this idea, the pupils of the Senior Class taking Greek, unanimously voted to join the club as a body and Brother Campion, C.F.X., who was in charge of the class, in his usual self-sacrificing way, helped the project along by condescending to become moderator of the club.

At the first meeting it was decided by Brother Campion to hold an election of officers so that we could take hold of the club ourselves and come

to him in case any matter was beyond our depth. With Brother Campion presiding, the first meeting was called to order and the following elections took place. Joseph Shea, who has always led the class, was chosen as president, Francis Clifford was elected vice-president and William McGrath, secretary.

The purpose of the club was then briefly outlined by Joseph Shea. He told the members that the further study of Greek classical authors and their works was of foremost consideration. He also announced that meetings would be held once a month on a day and at a time appointed by the moderator.

A month later the first meeting was held and it could be easily seen, by the papers read, that all were heartily interested in this phase of school life. Some of the leading Greek citizens of Worcester, hearing of the formation of this club at St. John's, sent congratulatory letters to President Shea on the formation of the society and promised to co-operate in every way to make the venture a success.

WILLIAM MCGRATH, '28.



CHEMISTRY CLUB OFFICERS

ARTHUR SPRING, *Vice-President*

EARL SANTIMAW, *Secretary* ALPHONSE WOLANIN, *President*

Chemistry Club

For the past three years, Chemistry at St. John's has been a very popular subject, due to the fact that Brother Cosmas, C.F.X., instructor in the course at the school, has always interested himself in this branch particularly. This year the chemistry room, with the kind and ever-helpful assistance of the pastor, the Rev. Edward J. Fitzgerald, P.R., and with much work on the part of Brother Cosmas, was completely refitted and we now boast of one of the best chemistry rooms among local high schools.

After the formation of the Latin Club, a few of the members of the chemistry class approached Brother Cosmas on the subject of introducing

a Chemistry Club at the school. Brother Cosmas took the matter under advisement and when he became convinced that the class as a whole was interested in the project, he approved of the plan and called a meeting shortly before the Christmas holidays.

At the first meeting the following elections took place. Alphonse Wolanin, who was known to be keenly interested in the subject, was chosen president, Arthur Spring was chosen vice-president and Earl Santimaw, secretary. After his election, the president appointed speakers for the next meeting and assigned subjects on which papers were to be prepared and in the course of these meetings, much valuable information has been gained by the members.

During the course of the year the following papers were read, and after each paper a discussion from the floor took place. The titles of the papers follow:

"Pasteur and His Discoveries."
"Alchemy of the Middle Ages."
"The Petroleum Industry in the United States."
"Vulcanization of Rubber."
"Chemistry and Medicine."
"Joseph Priestly."

We are sure that those connected with the club feel that it has meant something to them and has helped them to discuss subjects that were enigma to them. That the Juniors may continue this club is our ardent hope.

EARL SANTIMAW, '28.



MUSICAL CLUBS OFFICERS

EARL SANTIMAW, *Secretary* AUSTIN HOGAN, *Vice-President*

THOMAS HACKETT, *Treasurer* ROLAND VIGEANT, *President*

Musical Clubs

Just four years ago, our pastor, Rev. Father Fitzgerald thought it would be a good plan to introduce a glee club and an orchestra into the school activities. This ambitious project, the formulating of an orchestra and glee club, was undertaken by the Rev. Charles Duffy, one of Father Fitzgerald's assistants. Father Duffy secured the services of Miss Bowe, and the foundation was begun. The work was hard and tedious, and Father Duffy spared no pains to make a success of both clubs. The result of the first year of activity of the clubs, was the formation of a wonderful chorus for the singing at the commencement exercises.

The following year, the good work begun was continued aong the same lines, with Father Duffy in charge; but during the scholastic year,


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Father Duffy, who had charge of St. John's Cemetery and had numerous parochial duties to perform, placed the care of the clubs in the hands of Brother Carl, C.F.X., who had been appointed principal of the school. Brother Carl immediately assigned two members of the faculty to the clubs, and under the direction of Miss Catherine Bowe and the supervision of Brother John Chrysostom, C.F.X., the Glee Club performed great work, as did the orchestra, under the leadership of James E. Coyle and the supervision of Brother Cosmas, C.F.X.

At the beginning of February, last year, the first annual concert of the combined musical clubs was given, and it was a most agreeable surprise to the followers of old St. John's.

During our senior year, it was decided to give the second annual concert. The day chosen was February 19th, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday. Both Orchestra and Glee Club rehearsed with enthusiasm, and due to the efforts of the Senior Council, the stage was beautifully decorated, a red plush cyclorama encircling the rear of the stage and enhancing the beauty of the 110 members of the musical clubs, seated on the stage, dressed, some for the first time, in fitting tux suits. It certainly was a sight to behold.

The program was of the souvenir type, and beautifully arranged. The lighting effects were wonderful, and this phase of the performance was taken care of by William J. Coulter, of the Junior class. One can easily judge, from the following program, the versatility of both Glee Club and Orchestra. Thomas Grant of the Freshman class made his debut as accompanist, and received great praise on all sides for his wonderful performance.

The program started with the playing of "Stars and Stripes Forever," by the orchestra, under the direction of James Coyle. This was followed by Mornrise," sung by the Glee Club. It was a beautiful interpretation of this masterpiece, and the applause showed the appreciation of the audience. "West of the Great Divide" was then sung by the St. John's sextette, consisting of Warren Grady, John Stradan, Thomas Hackett, John Coyle, Thomas Murphy and Lawrence Murphy. "Funiculi-Funicula" was then rendered by the Glee Club, and this was followed by a rendition of Godard's "Berceuse," by Austin Hogan on the violin. One of the most popular numbers on the program, "Echoes from Ireland," was then played by the Orchestra, following which the Glee Club varied the program somewhat by singing a popular number, "Let a Smile Be Your Umbrella." Then

the president of the musical clubs, Roland Vigeant, rendered a vocal solo, "The Little Garden." Louis Bourget's saxophone trio then entertained us with "Elegie," and we can proudly boast that we are glad Louis is a Junior, and will be with St. John's to give one more concert. May his success of this year be surpassed by his performance next year. Foster's "Massa's in the Cold Ground" was then given by the Glee Club, and the Orchestra played "Diane" and "Annabelle Lee" in succession, thus lightening the program a bit. The hit of the evening was the singing of "Together, We Two," by the St. John's quartette, consisting of Roland Vigeant, John Stradan, Warren Grady and John Coyle. One of the most difficult numbers on the program followed, when the Glee Club sang the "Volga Boat-Song." This was received with acclaim by the audience that packed the hall. Edward Crosby then rendered "Perfect Day" as a cornet solo, and he was followed by the Glee Club, which sang Salman's "Bells of the Sea." After a saxophone solo by Louis Bourget, entitled "Sax-O-Doodle," the program closed with the singing of the Alma Mater song by the Glee Club.

The entire performance was a rare treat, and made all of us feel extremely proud that we were in any way connected with it. Great credit is due to Brother Robert, C.F.X., moderator of the Orchestra and Brother Clement, C.F.X., moderator of the Glee Club, for their unremitting labors in connection with the Musical Clubs.

At present, the Glee Club is rehearsing a Mass, which will be sung in St. John's Church on some Sunday in May. We fervently hope that this activity, which has brought such cultural value to St. John's, will continue with the years and will gain great renown.

FRANCIS CAFFERTY, '28.



PROM COMMITTEE
Seated—K. McTigue, L. Murphy, *Chairman*, E. Farrell
Standing—J. Sexton, J. Conlin, W. McGrath, J. Reidy

Senior Prom

We are anxiously awaiting the evening of June 15, when our Prom will take place in the gymnasium. It is to be in keeping with the fine Proms of former years and we expect that the reputation gained by the past three classes in this phase of the activities of St. John's, will make this a marvelous time at which there will be many in attendance. We are confidently looking for support in this venture to the members of the alumni. The success of the affair is in the hands of the above committee.



Seated—W. McGrath, Joseph Shea, Francis Clifford
Standing—Timothy Leary, Earl Santimaw, John Sweeney

Canteen

Some tell us that the best fifteen minutes of the regular school day are spent in the Canteen. Under the able leadership of Joseph Shea, assisted by five Seniors, the Canteen has catered to the wants of St. John's for the past two years, and Joe and his boys have always been on the jump. Some times, so Brother Carl says, John Sweeney gets in a generous mood and dispenses to his friends the profits of the Canteen. Be that as it may, we notice that those in charge of the Canteen seem unusually healthy and do not go home to dinner at one o'clock. The members of the Canteen committee are very popular with the student body at large, especially during recess and those boys certainly are salesmen. Many a fellow has come out of the Canteen eating something he had no intention of buying when he went in. In fact, Frank Clifford grabs the check, then looks around for the candy that sells least and before the purchaser knows it, he is walking out of the Canteen with it in his hand.

However, outside of their monarchistic tendencies, we like each and every one of them. In passing, we notice that all the members of the Canteen belong to the Greek Club and then some people maintain that the classics are of no practical value!

Peter Lemanski

As a token of our affection and the esteem in which we held our departed classmate, Peter Lemanski, we affectionately dedicate this page. Peter was taken from us by God in our Junior Year. Although only with us for a short time, he endeared himself to his teachers by the perseverance with which he followed his studies and we ourselves, will ever remember his many manly traits and likeable disposition. The Senior Class of 1928 in bidding Peter farewell, before we undergo the separation that graduation makes inevitable, does so with the prayer on its lips that his immortal soul may rest in eternal peace.



ATHLETICS



W. McGrath, *Vice-President* C. MacDermott, *Secretary*
T. Leary, *Basketball* L. Murphy, *President* M. Favulli, *Baseball*

Athletic Association

Athletic Committee

Athletics, at St. John's, are under the direction of a committee consisting of Rev. Charles Carey, representing the pastor; Brother Carl, C.F.X., principal of the school, and Joseph Paré, coach of the teams in all branches. Under this committee, this phase of school life has prospered. During the past year, due to the adoption of the following rules, St. John's has gained an enviable reputation in high school athletic circles, and we of the senior class feel that great credit is due Father Carey for the wholehearted manner in which he entered into the spirit of the pupils, and did all he possibly could do to make it agreeable for the pupils and the many followers of St. John's.

Eligibility Rules

The committee meeting in executive session adopted the following rules for all athletics at St. John's, and Father Fitzgerald formally approved them, immediately on adoption, on December 1, 1927:

SEC. 1. A pupil shall have been a member of some secondary school for the three months next preceding the contest, unless entering from an elementary school during the same calendar year.

SEC. 2. In case a pupil enters St. John's School from another, he shall be allowed to represent St. John's School only in case his family has changed its residence to the city in which the new school is located, or he has attended this school three consecutive months, and in either case his record must conform with all other eligibility rules of this association.

SEC. 3. To be eligible during September and October, the pupil must have satisfied the scholarship requirements in fourteen periods of prepared work for the previous year. Back work may be made up in September, provided that it is made up and becomes a matter of final record within one week of the date on which the school opens for the year. A pupil who is not thus eligible for athletics cannot become eligible until the close of the first regular ranking period of the school year.

SEC. 4. A pupil shall also secure for the period from the beginning of the school year up to the end of the regular ranking period next preceding the contest, a passing grade in at least fourteen periods of prepared work. A pupil cannot at any time represent this school unless taking fourteen periods of prepared work. At least two periods of unprepared work shall be required as the equivalent of one period of prepared work.

SEC. 5. A pupil shall not be limited as to the number of years in which he may represent his school in athletic sport, provided he is otherwise eligible under the rules of this association.

SEC. 6. A pupil shall be under twenty years of age.

SEC. 7. A pupil shall be an undergraduate, i. e., he shall not be a graduate of any secondary school. Any pupil who has credits sufficient for a diploma shall be regarded a graduate.

SEC. 8. A pupil shall not have been ruled out of a game in any given sport for flagrant disregard of the rules of clean sportsmanship more than once in the same season. The gravity of his offense will be settled by the St. John's High School Athletic Committee.

SEC. 9. It shall be the duty of the principal to place in the hands of the principal of the opposing team, a list of players eligible to represent his school on a certain date, if so requested by that principal.

Officers of Association

During the past year, the committee suggested that an athletic association be formed among the students, with the purpose of creating a greater interest in the athletic activities of the school, and also with the purpose of settling various minor questions that might arise. It was decided that the president and vice-president of this association be members of the senior class, that the secretary be a member of the junior class, and scorer in all sports as well as manager of football in his senior year, and that he automatically become the president of the association on his entrance into the senior class. The other members of the officers of the association to consist of the manager of basketball, the manager of baseball, and the manager of football for the following year.

This plan received the whole-hearted approval of the student body, and at a public meeting held in the Gymnasium, under the direction of Brother Carl, C.F.X., the following officers were elected: Lawrence Murphy, president; William McGrath, vice-president; Charles MacDermott, secretary; Timothy Leary, manager of basketball; and Michael Favulli, manager of baseball. By his election as secretary, Charles MacDermott, of the junior class, automatically becomes the manager of the football team next year, and succeeds Lawrence Murphy to the presidency of the association.

TIMOTHY LEARY, '28.



C. Fitzpatrick J. Cole E. Campbell

Athletic Captains

The great work done by the St. John's athletic teams can be traced to the team captains.

In Connie Fitzpatrick, we have one who has led the football team on the gridiron, and the same year captained the St. John's court aggregation. "Fitzie" is very popular with the student body at large, principally because of the good natured attitude he has shown on the field and the court in all sorts of trying circumstances. This is the first year, to our knowledge, that one of the athletes has been singled out to captain two teams of different sports in the same scholastic year.

"Piper" Coyle was one of the principal mainstays of last year's football team and has been chosen to lead the 1928 football team. We are sure that "Piper" will bring victory to St. John's in the next Turkey Day clash with St. Peter's. "Piper" will be a senior next year.

"Ed" Campbell, for the second time in two years, will lead the baseball team. Last year's baseball team had varied success, but prospects for this year seem very bright. Under "Ed's" leadership we expect the team to show some fast ball this year.



MANAGER COYLE CAPTAIN FITZPATRICK COACH PARE

Football 1927-1928

"Piper" Coyle was chosen manager of the football team during our Senior year, but "Piper," although having undergone an operation during the summer, was unable to stay on the side lines. He demanded to be put in the game so often that Coach Paré sent him to the doctor for a thorough examination. To "Piper's" great delight, and ours also, the doctor gave "Piper" the necessary permission to play and he sure did exhibit some stellar football.

Captain Fitzpatrick succeeded in holding up the honor of St. John's on the gridiron. It was due largely to his indomitable will in the face of certain defeat, that the team was able to turn apparent losses into certain victories. We Seniors, are surely proud of our classmate and wish him every success in whatever line of endeavor he may follow after his separation from St. John's.

Coach Paré came to us from Ware High School this year and immediately gained possession of our affections. Due to the fact that Joe experi-



J. Stradan D. Grady C. Sableski T. Hackett

enced so many injuries among the players during the football season, the work accomplished by the St. John's team is all the more marvelous. Although St. John's was picked to be severely beaten by St. Peter's, at the annual Thanksgiving Day game, yet they played a wonderfully defensive game against that team and the tie score prevailing at the end of the game, was a tremendous tribute to Joe's coaching. To Joe, we wish the greatest success with his teams of the future at St. John's.



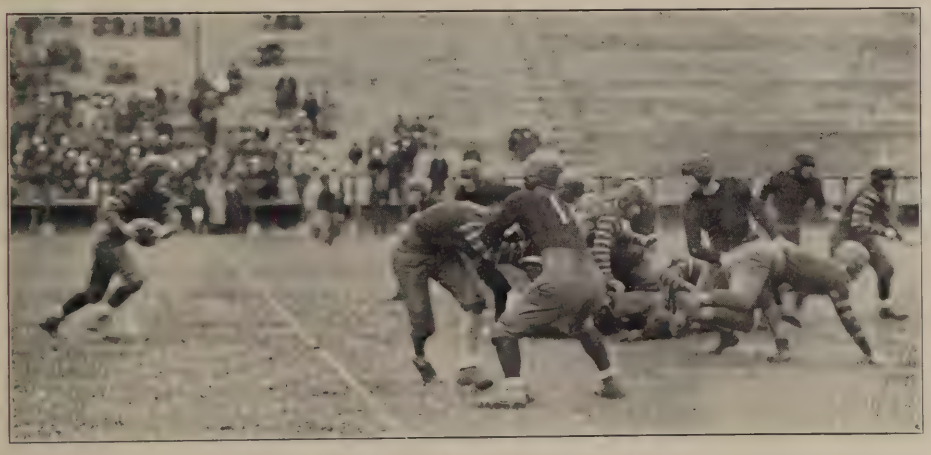
ST. JOHN'S ATHLETIC FIELD—THE OVAL



G. Jacques E. Campbell E. Quinn W. E. Henry

CLASSICAL GAME—1st Game

In the first encounter of the season, the Red and White played a 6-6 tie with Classical High. This being the first game of the season, the team did not function so well. The feature of this contest was a beautiful 90-yard run by "Swede" Bergstrom. This run placed the ball under the shadows of the goal, and on the next play, the leather was pushed over. Bergstrom, Fitzpatrick, quarterback and halfback respectively, were the sensations of the contest, while Campbell and Murphy, ends, played a great defensive game.



HOW MANY YARDS DID HE GAIN?



H. Lemay H. O'Flynn F. Bergstrom W. White

SOUTHBRIDGE GAME—2nd Game

The Red and White warriors completely outplayed Mary E. Wells High of Southbridge in the following game 31-0. Consistent throwing of forward passes and end runs were the features of this victory. Bergstrom and Stradan, aided by great interference, brought the throng to their feet by long runs. "Ed" Quinn played a sensational game at left end. His fine interference and tackling were the high lights of his playing. Jacques, the Junior fullback, substituting for Favulli, who was ill, proved his worth to the team in this contest. He scored two touchdowns along with his fine plunging. Bergstrom, Stradan and Jacques starred in the backfield, while Quinn, O'Flynn and White also played creditably.

TRADE GAME—3rd Game

The team stacked up against Trade School, at the Oval, but the game ended in a scoreless tie. The first half of the game was a punting duel between Stradan and Lee of Trade, with Stradan having the best of the affair. Stradan was getting height and distance to his kicks which means so much in this kind of battle. The second half turned out to be much different than the first, both teams were out to win and a hardy battle took place. Stradan and Jacques carried the biggest part of the attack for St. John's. Their constant ground-gaining brought the ball within scoring distance, but the necessary punch could not be added to put the ball over the chalk mark. Praise must be given to Lee of the Trade School eleven. His fine fighting spirit stopped St. John's from scoring many times. Stradan and Jacques starred for St. John's, while Lee and Roache did the best work for Trade School.

DRURY HIGH GAME—4th Game

The team won its second game of the season, when they defeated Drury High team of North Adams, 6 to 0, on the latter's grounds. This game was one of the bitterest battles ever seen on Drury Field. Twice the Red and White held Drury on the five-yard line after a steady march down the field by the local team. One of the high lights of the game was a beautiful forward pass from Bergstrom to Campbell, which netted thirty yards. With the ball on the four-yard line, Lemay, Stradan and Favulli hit the line in an attempt to make a touchdown, but the Drury line held like a stone-wall. It was fourth down and the goal line to be reached, but Bergstrom proved equal to the task by planting the leather behind the line for the only score of the game. Favulli, Bergstrom and Lemay starred in the backfield, while O'Flynn, Campbell and Murphy did great work in the line.

FITCHBURG GAME—5th Game

The Red and White on Oct. 29, met the fast and experienced Fitchburg High team. When the last shrill of the whistle had sounded, the score stood 65 to 0 in favor of Fitchburg High. This was a bad beating, but the team cannot be blamed entirely for it. The St. John's boys could not break up the lateral passes of the Fitchburg team. Time and again the latter would pull off large gains, due to this pass. Again the team was handicapped by the loss of Capt. "Connie" Fitzpatrick. "Connie" is a great ground gainer and the St. John's team might have scored had the backfield ace been in the lineup. Early in the fourth period, with Fitchburg having possession of the ball on the five-yard line, Bergstrom, the St. John's diminutive quarterback, snatched up a Fitchburg fumble and reeled off 95 yards for a touchdown. Lady Luck, however, was not with the team, for a St.



PART OF CROWD AT ST. PETER'S GAME



M. Favulli L. Murphy P. Scales J. Grigaitis

John's man was offside and the touchdown did not count. Great credit must be given to this hard-fighting youngster for the gameness he showed against his much larger opponents. This article could not be closed without first mentioning the great work of "Lin" Bourget. Although "Lin" is small in size, he played one of the best defensive games seen on the Fitchburg field for a long time. His spectacular tackles brought the throng to their feet more than once during the game. This was "Piper" Coyle's initial game of the season. Although recovering from a severe operation, "Piper" played the game like a veteran and much praise is due to him.

WORCESTER ACADEMY SECONDS—6th Game

Feeling, perhaps, a trifle discouraged on account of their recent defeat at the hands of Fitchburg High, the Red and White entered the fray with the Academy Seconds, in a listless manner and, consequently, emerged from the gridiron, the losers. The score was Academy 13; St. John's 7. The splendid showing of O'Flynn, guard, was outstanding for St. John's. He bore the brunt of the St. John's defense and time and again stopped the plays that were directed towards his side of the line. Fitzpatrick, Bergstrom and Lemay played well in the backfield.

WORCESTER TRADE SCHOOL—7th Game

The next game was with Trade School, this being the second meeting of the teams this season. At the end of the game the score stood in favor

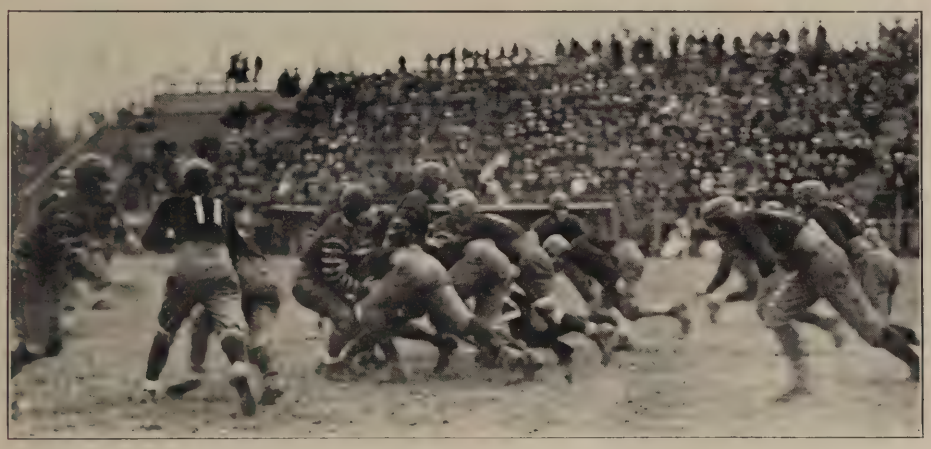
of Trade 14 to 7. Coach Joe Paré had a hard time patching up a team to oppose Trade. Favulli, Fitzpatrick, Coyle and Jacques were on the injured list. Although a few of the above mentioned played, they only remained in the game for a short time. A beautiful forward pass in the closing minutes of the game from Stradan to Bergstrom, scored St. John's only touchdown. Grigaitis, Murphy and Scales played well for St. John's on the defense.

LEOMINSTER GAME—8th Game

The team journeyed to Leominster for the next game with the Leominster High eleven. They were defeated 13 to 6 by the much heavier Leominster team. Coach Paré and Assistant Coach Dowd, put subs into the fray at the start of the game and kept them there throughout the whole contest. They were playing the safe side in saving their veterans for the following Thursday, when they would stack up against St. Peter's. The Red and White subs showed that they could play a good defensive game by holding the powerful Leominster High team to two touchdowns. Throughout the game Keaney, a substitute halfback, showed that he had the ability to run back punts. Not only that, but he scored St. John's lone touchdown on a beautiful end run. Campbell and Sableski played a great game on the defense.

ST. PETER'S GAME—9th Game

These four defeats in a row seemed to be a blessing in disguise, as St. John's in their annual clash with St. Peter's, on Turkey Day, although entering the game as the underdogs, held the strong St. Peter's eleven to a



ST. PETER'S GAME



ANOTHER SCENE FROM ST. PETER'S GAME

scoreless tie. The team completely outplayed its rivals and would have scored several times had they not lacked the scoring punch to push the leather over the chalk line. There were 8,000 spectators at this contest, the largest crowd ever to attend a schoolboy clash in this section of the State. Captain Fitzpatrick led his team onto the field and it could be easily seen that they were out to fight hard. From the very start of the game the Red and White clad warriors fought every inch up and down the field until the last whistle ended the game. Every member of the team was out with a vim to win, but although they did not succeed, much praise is due to them.

In the third period when the St. Peter's team threatened to score, the St. John's line held like a stone-wall and St. Peter's could not penetrate it.

The fourth quarter brought the fans of the St. John's team to their feet by the constant yard gaining of Fitzpatrick. Time and again he ripped off large gains and in no time the Red and White had the ball within the shadows of the goal post. But as the saying is, "Time waits for no man," the game ended with the ball in St. John's possession. Fitzpatrick and Lemay starred in the backfield, while Burke, Campbell and Scales did good in the line.

This game with St. Peter's was anticipated with the keenest rivalry. Both teams had a victory under their belt and they were out to break the tie. But fate was not with either team and the game ended with neither goal line being crossed.

We could not close this section of the book without giving a word of appreciation to Joe Paré, who coached the football team. Many would not call the past football season a success, but we look upon it as a very favorable one. We must admit that the team met four straight defeats, but we claim that they won a moral victory over St. Peter's. Entering the game as the underdogs, they held the strong St. Peter's eleven to a scoreless tie. They completely outplayed St. Peter's in every department of the game. Joe Paré had no easy task in rounding a team into shape, after so many injuries to the players, for the big game of the season.

This article would be unfinished if some praise were not given to Tom Dowd, Tom McGrail and Ed Sullivan, captain of the team of 1926. These three graduates gave their valuable time every afternoon for two weeks before the St. Peter's game, to help Head Coach Paré to round the eleven into shape. We hope they will be successful in all their undertakings and that they will continue to help their Alma Mater in the future.



1927-1928 FOOTBALL TEAM

First Row—Keaney, Bourget, Kelley, Dorsey, Grady, Healey
Second Row—Scales, L. Murphy, Bergstrom Quinn, Campbell, O'Flynn Grigaitis, Stradan, Lemay
Third Row—Coach Pare, Lynch, W. E. Henry, Jacques, White, Fitzpatrick, Sableski, McSheehey Hackett, Favulli, Coyle

For the first time in the history of the school, St. John's succeeded in annexing the scalps of all the local high schools in basketball. This unprecedented feat is due, in greatest measure, to the wonderful confidence with which our coach, Joe Paré, inspired his cohorts. That Joe has gained our absolute confidence and that of the public at large, was evidenced by the marvelous following St. John's had at every game.



JOE PARE

Basketball



"CONNIE" FITZPATRICK

The hardest worker on the floor during every game was Captain Fitzpatrick. Never disheartened, always on the alert, "Fitzie's" leadership showed itself to remarkable advantage in many a game. Great applause and much honor has come to "Fitzie" because of his all-around athletic ability and he has always proven himself worthy of the praise and glory that was given him.



BASKETBALL TEAM

First Row—Lynch, Kalinowski, Fitzpatrick, Leary, Stradan

Second Row—Skelley, Burke, Tinsley, Sweeney, Curran, Bergstrom

Basketball 1927-1928

Games Won 17 Lost 6

St. John's 20 Becker's 15

The Red and White started the season on the wrong foot, when they dropped the first game of the season to Becker's Business College, 20 to 15. The lack of teamwork showed that the team had not played together long. Time and again the Business hoopsters broke through their defense for a score.

Another thing that hampered the teamwork was the shifting of the players to different positions. Coach Paré used many substitutes in order to get the best combination possible for the future games. Although the team lost their initial game, the work of Capt Fitzpatrick was outstanding.

St. John's 28 N. E. S. Business 8

In the next game, however, the local fans saw the real St. John's combination. In the practice sessions following the opening game, Coach Paré

toiled untiringly until he found a real team to represent St. John's. His efforts were rewarded when in the following game, the Red and White defeated New England School of Business, 28 to 8.

In the first quarter they looked like champions and continued to look so in the ensuing periods. "Cy" Lynch was the star of the contest. His shooting from different angles brought much response from the crowd. Although the work of Lynch was not outdone, Kalinowski, Leary and Stradan helped to bring the bacon home.

St. John's 28 Post Bus. Inst. 17

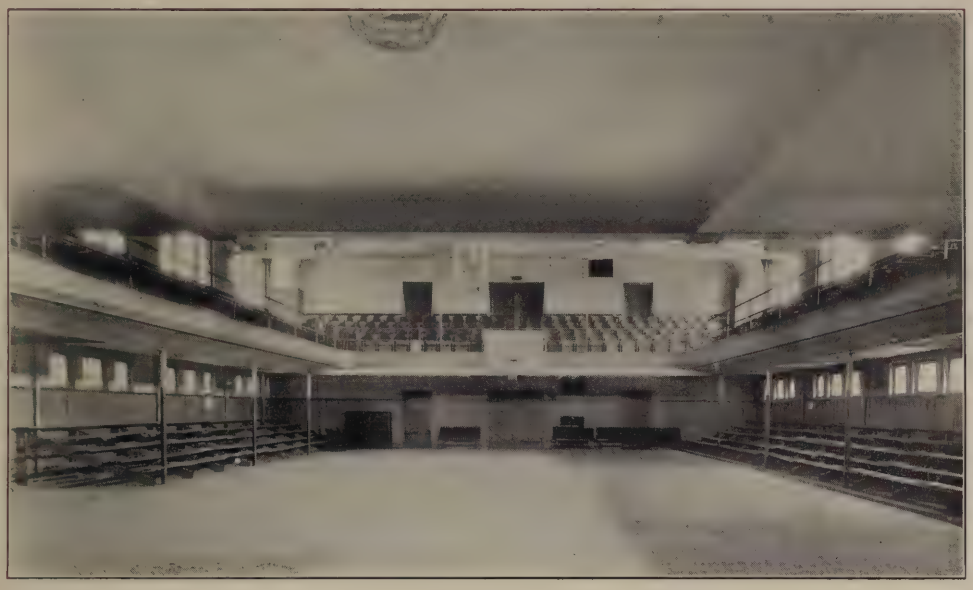
The Post Business team was the next to stack up against the Red and White. The game was fast and furiously fought, but when the last shrill of the whistle had sounded the score stood in favor of St. John's, 28 to 17. This made the second game in a row and Coach Paré was well pleased with the showing of his cohorts. In the last quarter many substitutes were sent into the fray for the Red and White and they continued the good work of the regulars. "Stan" Kalinowski was the shining light in this contest, playing a good offensive and defensive game.

St. John's 18 North 8

The Red and White basketeers were on the warpath and won their third straight game, when they defeated North High, 18 to 8. This was



BERGSTROM LEMAY KALINOWSKI TINSLEY



GYMNASIUM

the first time in four years that a St. John's net team had taken the measure of a North High team.

The game was exceptionally fast and not an idle moment was witnessed during the whole contest. Capt. Fitzpatrick started his team on the road to victory when he registered the first two baskets of the game. Together with Fitzpatrick, Kalinowski, Lynch and Stradan did some fine floor work.

St. John's 27 Northboro 13

For their next game the Saints traveled to Northboro, to play the fast high school team of that town. The team played without the services of their star forward, Lynch, who was ill. Though handicapped by this loss, the team was out in front at the end of the game by the score of 27 to 13.

Capt. "Connie" Fitzpatrick took the scoring burden on his shoulders and when the game was finished he had 17 points to his credit. Stradan also helped his team by his fine defensive playing.

St. John's 26 M. E. W. H. S. 28

The Red and White lost their second game of the season when they were defeated by Mary Wells High School of Southbridge, in an overtime

game, 28 to 26. The game was a hard one to lose, but the team fought gamely throughout the whole contest.

In the first half of the game, both teams fought neck and neck, but in the third quarter the out-of-town boys ran up a small lead. This, however, did not dishearten the Red and White for they evened matters in the final stage of the game. With the game a tie at the end of the last period an extra period was required to decide the winner. With but a few seconds to go, the Southbridge center hooped a beautiful shot from the side court to decide the game. Fitzpatrick, Lynch, Leary, Stradan and Kalinowski played a great game for St. John's.

St. John's 10 Trade 22

It never rains, but it pours, is the old saying and it fits neatly in the case of the Red and White hoop team. Following their hard game with Mary Wells High, the Red and White warriors bowed to the Trade School quintet 22 to 10. The Saints were apparently off-form, as could be seen by their poor passing as well as their shooting. The Trade hoopsters took advantage of this and ran up a large score in the first part of the game.

In the second half, they returned to their old form, but could not overcome the lead run up by their opponents. Kalinowski and Bergstrom did the best work for St. John's.



LEARY BURKE CURRAN STRADAN



SIDE VIEW OF GYMNASIUM

St. John's 28 South High 21

In one of the best schoolboy games played this season, the Red and White quintet defeated the South High School five and thereby defeated the second of the inter-high school championship contenders. The score at the finish of the game was 28 to 21 in favor of St. John's.

The Red and White forwards, Lynch and Leary, snatched victory from the South quintet when they hooped two baskets each, in the final minutes of play. "Stan" Kalinowski had the big job of the night in guarding Edstrom, the scoring threat of the Main-South team. Although he did not hold Edstrom scoreless, he held him to the lowest number of points he had obtained up to that game. Fitzpatrick also did some exceptionally good playing for St. John's, by his fine floorwork.

St. John's 21 Classical High 11

In the following contest, Classical High, another inter-high contender, came, saw, and was conquered by the flashy St. John's five, 21 to 11. It was one of the hardest-fought games played on the St. John's court this season. It was not an easy task to defeat the fighting Classical team and St. John's had to use their full strength to accomplish such a feat. Lynch,

left forward of the Red and White warriors, had a keen eye for the hoop and led the scorers by a large margin. Stradan, however, was right on his heels, scoring many beautiful shots from past the center of the floor.

St. John's 19 H. C. Frosh 16

The Red and White stepped out of its class and defeated the fast and much heavier Holy Cross Freshman team, before a capacity crowd, 19 to 16. The game was fast from start to finish, and not an idle moment was witnessed by the spectators. Fitzpatrick and Lynch starred for St. John's by their fine shooting and floorwork.

St. John's 34 Becker's 15

In a return game with Becker's, the Red and White warriors avenged their first defeat by pinning a 34 to 15 defeat on the Business students.

The game was one-sided from the start and the visitors had little chance to overcome the fighting St. John's team. In the first half Lynch hooped many difficult shots.

In the second half the passwork of Fitzpatrick and Stradan enabled St. John's to obtain a large score.

St. John's 36 Post 21

The Saints defeated Post Business Institute for the second time, when they buried them beneath a 36 to 21 score.

The game was unlike the first, which took place at the beginning of the season, and the team showed by its playing how much it had improved since the first encounter between the two teams. "Stan" Kalinowski dribbled through the Post defense time and again to score a basket. Besides the good work of Kalinowski, Leary and Fitzpatrick showed up well.

St. John's 27 North High 15

The Red and White visited the North gym in the ensuing game to play the North hoopsters a return game. Repeating their past performance the Red and White hoopsters defeated the Yellow-clad warriors, 27 to 15.

The game was slow, compared with past games, in which St. John's had participated and Coach Paré gave his subs a chance in order to give the regulars a much needed rest. Lynch and Stradan played a good game for St. John's, both on offense and defense.

St. John's 21 M. E. W. H. S. 20

The Red and White-clad warriors traveled to Southbridge to meet the fast Mary Wells High team in a return game. With the past defeat lingering in their minds the Saints were fighting for all they were worth. They won 21 to 20.

The game was evenly fought until the last few minutes, when the Red and White hoopsters forged ahead with a one-point lead, which they held until the end of the game. Leary and Lemay starred for St. John's, showing keen eyes for the hoop.

St. John's 34 Northboro High 5

Northboro came to Worcester to play the Red and White, with the reputation of being the "National High Scorers." They won this title, when they ran up 112 points against an opponent a few games before visiting Worcester.

This title seemed to draw crowds from all parts of the city, and St. John's gym was filled to capacity when the teams were ready to start the game.

The game ended in favor of St. John's, 34 to 5. The Red and White quintet fought as they never fought before and put up a stone-wall defense that could not be easily penetrated. Every one of the Red and White five played well and neither outshone the other.

St. John's 13 Trade 21

The Trade School basketeers were as it might be said, a jinx to the St. John's hoopsters. They were the only ones to claim two victories over the Red and White warriors.

In the second meeting between the two teams the Trade five defeated St. John's, 21 to 13. In the first half the Red and White hoopsters were without the services of "Stan" Kalinowski, their star guard. This helped the Trade five, and although they were outscored in the second half by St. John's, their early lead proved to be the big factor in their win.

Although St. John's was defeated, Stradan was the star of the game, carrying the entire burden of the St. John's defense on his shoulders.

St. John's 16 St. Peter's 15

In the next contest, the Red and White met her traditional rival St. Peter's, in the first of a two-game series. The crowd that witnessed this

contest was the largest ever to be present at a schoolboy net game in Worcester County. Fully 2200 were in attendance. The rivalry is great between these two schools and the student body of both schools was out in full number.

The Sacred Heart drum corps played during the halves, this added attraction having been arranged by the St. John's Athletic Association.

When the two teams went out on the floor for the warming up session before the tilt, the crowd was so large that many who sought entrance were turned away because of the lack of accommodation.

Mayor O'Hara threw the ball into play from his seat in the balcony. Little did Mayor O'Hara know what he was starting when he threw that ball out.

The game was the hardest fought ever witnessed in the city. First, one team would have the lead, and then the other, with a snatched victory being possible for either team.

At the end of the first half St. Peter's had the lead by a close margin. In the second half the Red and White started off like whirlwinds and ran up a small lead. St. Peter's made a short rally in the fourth period and came within one point of St. John's. The passwork of the Red and White, however, baffled their friendly rivals and we managed to keep possession of the ball until the last shrill of the whistle had sounded.

Kalinowski and Stradan starred for St. John's, while Dowd and O'Connor did the best work for St. Peter's.

St. John's 21 Commerce 22

St. John's met the inter-high champions, Commerce, in the first of a two-game series on our home floor. Another capacity crowd watched Commerce snatch a victory from the Red and White in the final minutes of the game, when "Buster" Sheary dropped in a beautiful shot from the center of the floor.

Although defeated, the Red and White had forced Commerce to the wall. They played on even terms with them throughout the game and kept up with the fast pace set by the Commerce quintet.

In the second half, with Commerce ahead by two baskets, "Stan" Kalinowski came to the rescue of his team. Dribbling his way through the Commerce defense, he dropped in two nice shots in succession to even up matters. With but a short time to play, and St. John's in the lead, Sheary dropped one in from the center of the court, and this score was the last of the game.

St. John's 28 North Brookfield 13

The Red and White traveled to North Brookfield, to meet the high school team of that town. St. John's took the floor without the services of two regulars, Fitzpatrick and Leary, who were out with injuries. This, however, did not hamper the passwork of the team, and the Red and White emerged the victors, 28 to 13.

The game was somewhat uninteresting for the speed that the Saints are noted for was dull in spots. "Stan" Kalinowski was the high scorer of the evening with 12 points to his credit.

St. John's 26 Leominster 15

St. John's traveled to Leominster to participate in a contest with Leominster High School. The game was played before a large crowd because of the reputation that the Red and White hoopsters brought with them.

In the first half the Red and White put up a poor exhibition of basketball. Time and again they lost the ball through carelessness.

In the second half, however, the team looked like champions and scored 16 points, while the best their opponents could do was to score 3. The final score was 26 to 15. "Hervey" Lemay showed a keen eye for the hoop, besides his good floorwork.

St. John's 24 Commerce High 22

"Revenge is sweet." "To the victor belongs the spoils." These are two ancient expressions which the Red and White basketeers saw fulfilled. The Saints went, saw, and defeated the champion Commerce team 24 to 22. This victory will be long remembered by the fans who witnessed that thrilling game. Both teams were in top form, but the St. John's hoopsters were a shade better.

At the very start of the game they took the champions off their feet by their great playing. The Red and White, who were considered the underdogs, were playing superior ball over their opponents.

At the end of the first half Commerce had the lead by a few points and the Red and White warriors left the floor determined to come back and win in the last half.

At the beginning of the second half, a basket by Lemay and a basket and a free throw by Leary, put St. John's out in front, this lead being kept

until "Buster" Sheary tied the score with but a minute to play. Time was called by St. John's and Capt. Fitzpatrick gathered his men together to steady them.

On the first tap Fitzpatrick tapped to Leary, who passed to Stradan. "Hoxy" Stradan now had the ball in the center of the floor, a second later it was on its way through the air towards the hoop. The crowd went mad. "Hoxy" had made his shot with but 45 seconds to go. A little later the game ended and the St. John's rooters went mad with joy. Besides the good work of Stradan; Leary, Lemay, Fitzpatrick and Kalinowski played exceptionally well for the Red and White.

St. John's 38 North Brookfield 11

North Brookfield came to St. John's gym to be entertained for the evening by the Red and White. The Saints hung a 38 to 11 defeat on them without the presence of the coach, Joe Paré, who was ill. The score indicates that the team was fighting for "Joe" and that they came through for him in grand style.

Leary and Lemay, forwards for the Red and White, had a big night, scoring 11 and 10 points respectively. Capt. "Connie" Fitzpatrick was also ill and his place was taken by "Swede" Bergstrom, who looked well in a regular's uniform.

St. John's 15 St. Peter's 16

The last game of the season was with St. Peter's. The crowd of this game was just as large as the previous one.

Due to their over-confidence, the Red and White did not play their best. St. Peter's came from behind in the last quarter to win by a 16 to 15 score.

The game was a hard fought one and was hard to lose. Throughout the first part of the game the Red and White warriors showed signs of nervousness, which they did not overcome until the latter part of the game. With but a few seconds to go a St. Peter's player hooped a basket from the center of the floor. Kalinowski and Lemay did the best work for St. John's, while Short and Ryan starred for St. Peter's.

PITTSFIELD TOURNEY

St. John's was picked to represent this section in the annual Catholic Tourney at Pittsfield. The Red and White players, after having participated in 23 games during the season, were a tired looking aggregation as they left for the train.

On the first night of the tournament they met the De La Salle Institute of Newport, R. I., in the first game. The Red and White quintet went down to defeat 28 to 18. The score does not indicate the hard fought battle that the Saints played. Fitzpatrick was honored by being chosen for center on the All-Tournament Second Team.

During the course of the season "Stan" Kalinowski was assigned to play against the best men on the opposing teams, and he performed very well. He held such stars as Edstrom of South, Edwards of Southbridge, Dowd of St. Peter's, Sheary of Commerce and many others to low scores. The other guard berth was played by "Stewy" Stradan. He was a great floor worker and was always there when a basket was needed to win a game. The pivot position was taken up by Capt. "Connie" Fitzpatrick. Much credit is due him for our success this season. In truth, he can be called the hardest working man on the team. In the front court were "Ted" Leary and "Hervey" Lemay. Both were good floor workers and had a good eye for the hoop. Lemay came to the team in the latter part of the season, but at once seemed to fit in the combination of Kalinowski, Stradan, Leary and Fitzpatrick.

Much of the credit for the team's success goes to Coach "Joe" Paré. A better sport could not be found in the country. When "Joe" took over the coaching reins, he did not know one player from another, but it did not take the team long to get acquainted with his style of play and before long he had a combination that was as good as any in this section

Credit must also go to Father Carey and Brother Carl, C.F.X., for their great interest in the team. We are very thankful for their help to the team and the members of the team wish to express their appreciation from the bottom of their hearts. It would be unjust, indeed, to finish this article without giving some praise to the substitutes of the team. "Swede" Bergsrom, "Flat" Curran, "Blondy" Goldsmith, "Moco" White and "Specs" Skelley; all did their share to bring glory to St. John's. And whenever they were given a chance in the lineup they did their bit.



Standing—J. Merrill, J. Gallagher, G. Doran, J. Harrahy
Seated—J. Foley, L. Lajoie, J. Dorsey, E. Callahan, J. Fitzpatrick

THE SQUIRES

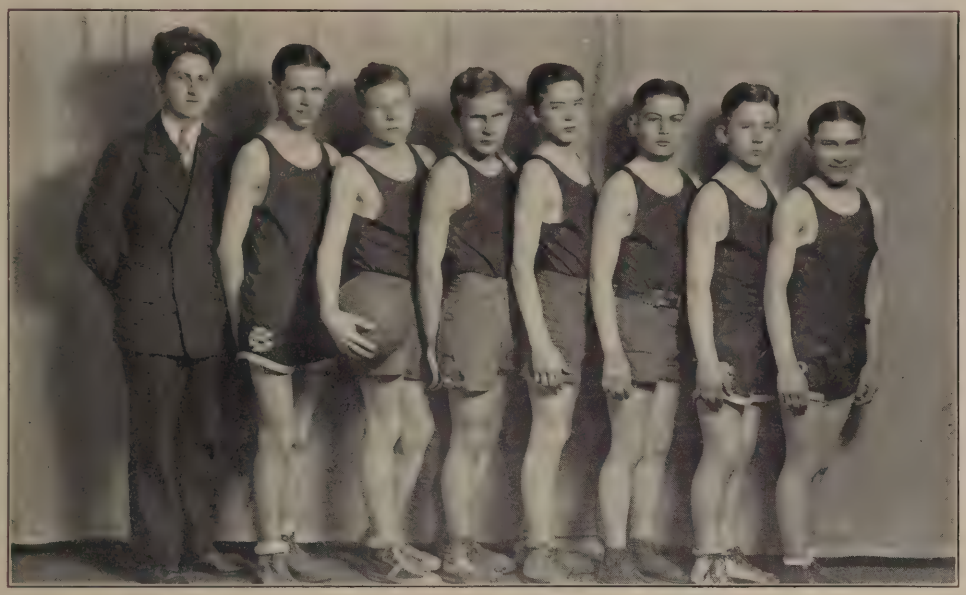
At the start of the basketball season, Brother Robert thought of a plan to promote the net game among the students of St. John's. He formed a team called the Squires and picked candidates for positions on the quintet from the Sophomore and Junior years. The team played constantly throughout the season and basketball material for the coming year, as a consequence, looks promising.

The record hung up by the Squires was very good. Despite the fact that it was their first year playing together, they formed a good combination with the efforts of their coach and advisor, Brother Robert. During the season they won 17 and lost but 2 games. Both games were lost by very close margins and after hard fought struggles.

The roster of the team consisted of: Dorsey, Callahan, forwards; Harrahy, center; J. Gallagher and Fitzpatrick, guards. The subs were: Drohan, Foley and Griffin.

"Jimmie" Dorsey was captain and high scorer for the team. His all-around playing was commended by all who witnessed the games played by the team. "Rusty" Harrahy, pivot man of the team, was also outstanding during the season.

The credit for the fine showing of this team goes to the untiring efforts of Brother Robert, who produced a team better than any other in its class around this section.



H. Robert, *Mgr.*, G. Gallagher, E. Goldsmith, W. Maillet, T. Maguire, R. O'Brien, R. Carroll, G. Savko

THE PAGES

The Pages formed the Freshman team and had a perfect season. Playing twenty games, their first year together, and finishing with a clean slate, is indeed a most excellent record.

Brother Robert taught them the fundamentals of the game and before long they picked up his winning system. Many times during the season, they stepped out of their class to seize the scalps of much older opponents. Included in their string of victories, are two over the fast K. of C. Midgets, who, previous to their game with the Pages, had not been defeated in three years.

The lineup of the team was as follows: Goldsmith and Savko, forwards; G. Gallagher, center; Maillet and Maguire, guards; Carroll and O'Brien were substitutes.

"Blondy" Goldsmith was high scorer for the team. In all the games played he showed a keen eye for the hoop and could shoot from all angles.

"Tacks" Maillet also did some shining at his guard position during the season. Hardly any of his opponents ran up more than six points, while playing opposite him. Although these two were the greatest developed by Brother Robert, others looked good in the games played.

Baseball Prospects

With "Ed" Campbell and "Piper" Coyle as pitchers for the baseball season of 1928, our prospects look particularly bright. Coach Paré called his team out shortly after spring entered our midst and many of the Seniors went out for the team. "Tom" Hackett is making a great bid for the backstop berth and others of the class are doing well towards gaining a position on the St. John's nine.

Manager Favulli has booked games with North High, Commerce, Classical High and South and the games with these local teams will certainly stir up a great deal of enthusiasm. Of course, we will play St. Peter's also. Two games have been booked with our parochial rivals and the game at Fitton Field on June 11th, will call together the followers of both schools and those who attend this game, may be assured in advance thta there will be a fight to a finish.

Out-of-town games have also been arranged and Worcester County will see plenty of action from the Temple Street boys. Knowing Coach Paré and his system as we do, we are confident that the school nine will give an excellent account of themselves.



F. Reidy R. Powers W. Cosgrove W. Reidy J. Reidy

Golf 1927-1928

Last year, under the capable direction of Brother Cosmas, C.F.X., a golf team was formed at the school. The team met with more than ordinary success and we feel great pride in including the account of their season in our Year Book. The spring schedule for the present year is based upon that of last year, and our hope is that the name of St. John's will be as prominent in the golf headlines of this year as it was last.

Jack Reidy, captain and manager of the St. John's High School golf team, announced his schedule of matches for spring play, April 20. Nine engagements have been booked for the Temple Street lads, four games to be played at home, and five out of town.

On paper, the St. John's aggregation seemed to be unusually strong, and they proved it by their seven victories, one defeat, and one tie.

Jack Reidy played at the top of the order, and proved to be a large contributor of points in the various matches. Willie Cosgrove, former caddy champion of Worcester, played second in the lineup and also proved to be a contributor of points. Both Jack Reidy and Willie Cosgrove proved themselves a real match for any of the schoolboy champions of the district. Bill Reidy, Francis Lynch, and Henry Davis are the other members of the team, and played in order mentioned.

Date	Team	From	Played at	Score St. John's		Opp.
April 28	Classical	Worcester	Worcester	6		3
May 13	Commerce	Worcester	Worcester	4		1
May 14	St. John's	Danvers	Danvers	4		2
May 19	Classical	Worcester	Worcester	6		0
May 21	Newton	Newtonville	Newtonville	2		4
May 26	St. John's	Danvers	Worcester	0	(Cancelled)	0
June 1	St. Mark's	Southboro	Southboro	3		3
June 4	St. Mark's	Southboro	Worcester	5		1
June 11	Senior	Watertown	Watertown	0	(Cancelled)	0

ST. JOHN'S GOLFERS DEFEAT CLASSICAL HIGH

April 28.

The St. John's High golf team defeated the Classical High team, 6 to 3, in the first match of the season yesterday, at the Municipal Golf Links. The feature of the match was an 81, scored by Willie Cosgrove, number two man for St. John's High. Cosgrove's 81 was the equivalent to par golf as there was a very strong wind blowing across the course, making it very difficult to score.

The match play was as follows: Jack Reidy, St. John's, played a tie game with Tom Howe, Classical; Reidy was one down going to the last hole, but finished with a par to tie the match. Willie Cosgrove, St. John's, defeated Henry Doyle, Classical, 5-4. Bill Reidy, St. John's, succeeded in tying Francis Doyle, Classical, after being three down at the end of the first nine. Nat Chandley, Classical, defeated Francis Lynch, St. John's, one up. Henry Davis, St. John's, defeated Arthur Crimmins, Classical, 3-2.

In the four-ball matches, J. Reidy and Cosgrove, St. John's, defeated Howe and H. Doyle, Classical, 4-3. Bill Reidy and Francis Lynch, St. John's, defeated F. Doyle and Nat Chandley one up. Score—St. John's 6, Classical 3.

ST. JOHN'S GOLFERS DEFEAT COMMERCE HIGH

May 13.

The St. John's High golf team added another name to its list of season's victims, when it decisively defeated the Commerce High School golfers, 4 points to 1. Captain Jack Reidy of St. John's, shared the medal honors with his teammate, Willie Cosgrove, and Roy Decker of the opposition, all totaling 77 for the 18 holes' route. As a general run, the scoring was unusually good.

ST. JOHN'S WINNER OVER WORCESTER CLASSICAL

May 19.

Worcester—St. John's School golf team beat Classical High, 6 to 0, in a match on the Municipal Links. William Cosgrove of St. John's, was low scorer with 78, and his teammate, Jack Reidy, was second lowest with 80. The summary:

Singles: Jack Reidy, St. John's beat Henry Doyle, Classical, 3 and 2; William Cosgrove, St. John's, beat Thomas Howe, Classical, 5 and 3; William Reidy, St. John's, beat Nathaniel Chandley, Classical, 5 and 4; Henry Davis, St. John's, beat Arthur Crimmins, Classical, 3 and 2.

Doubles: J. Reidy and Cosgrove beat Doyle and Howe, 3 and 2; W. Reidy and Davis beat Chandley and Crimmins, 3 and 2.

St. John's Prep of Danvers, and Senior High of Watertown, cancelled their games.

NEWTON HIGH IS VICTOR OF MEET

May 21.

West Newton—The Newton High School golf team triumphed over the St. John's High School team of Worcester, in a four-man match at the Brae Burn Country Club. The final score was 4 points to 2. The feature of the series was the brilliant play of Captain Jack Reidy on the inward nine holes, which he completed in 35 strokes. A poor outward round, however, prevented him from doing better than 77 for the 18 holes.

Other good scores were made by Mike Giamferante of Newton High, who finished in 76. Billy Cosgrove, former caddy champion of Worcester, scored a fine 79 over the testing layout, but was forced to bow in defeat before the dazzling play of W. Benger at the 17th hole.

The summary: Jack Reidy, Worcester, defeated P. Giamferante, Newton, 4 and 3; W. Benger, Newton, defeated Billy Cosgrove, Worcester, 3 and 1; M. Giamferante, Newton, defeated Billy Reidy, Worcester, 6 and 4; N. Clancy, Newton, defeated Henry Davis, Worcester, 9 and 8.

In the doubles: J. Reidy and Cosgrove defeated P. Giamferante and Benger, 2 and 1; M. Giamferante and Clancy defeated Bill Reidy and Davis, 8 and 7.

ST. JOHN'S BOYS TIE WITH ST. MARK'S ACADEMY

June 1.

Southboro—St. John's golf forces of Worcester, invaded St. Mark's and after the matches were completed, the score stood at three apiece.

Singles: Hollins, St. Mark's defeated J. Reidy, St. John's, 5 and 4; Cosgrove, St. John's defeated Goodyear, St. Mark's, 4 and 2; W. Reidy, St. John's, defeated Overhill, St. Mark's, 2 up; Belmont, St. Mark's, defeated Davis, St. John's, 1 up, 20 holes.

Doubles: Hollins and Goodyear, St. Mark's, defeated J. Reidy and Cosgrove, 1 up; W. Reidy and Davis, St. John's, defeated Belmont and Overhill, St. Mark's, 2 up.

The scores: Hollins 75, J. Reidy 79, Cosgrove 80, Goodyear 85, W. Reidy 85, Overhill 87, Belmont 95, Davis 96.

ST. JOHN'S GOLFERS DEFEAT ST. MARK'S

June 4.

The St. John's High golf team scored a 5 to 1 victory over St. Mark's of Southboro, in a team match played over the course of the Green Hill Club.

Jack Reidy, the St. John's captain, shot the best golf of the afternoon, to defeat the visiting captain, J. B. Hollins, 6 and 4. The summary: J. Reidy, St. John's, defeated J. B. Hollins, St. Mark's, 6 and 4; W. Cosgrove, St. John's, defeated E. Goodyear, St. Mark's, 5 and 4; W. Reidy, St. John's, defeated H. Areville, St. Mark's, 2 and 1; H. Davis, St. John's, defeated R. Belmont, St. Mark's, 4 and 3; C. Hughes, St. John's, and H. Edwards, St. Mark's, tied their match. In the doubles: J. Reidy and Cosgrove of St. John's, defeated Hollins and Goodyear of St. Mark's, 5 and 4; Belmont and Areville, St. Mark's, defeated Davis and W. Reidy, St. John's, 2 and 1.

ST. JOHN'S HIGH GOLFERS FINISH SEASON

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The St. John's High School golf team concluded a successful season of competition, winning seven of nine matches, losing one and tying one other.

Newton High was the only team to defeat the local parochial school linksmen. St. Mark's held St. John's to a 3-3 tie at Southboro, but was later vanquished 5 to 1 in a return match at the Municipal links here.

The St. John's team was composed of Jack Reidy, captain and manager, Bill Cosgrove, Bill Reidy, Henry Davis and Casey Hughes. Of this number, only Davis and Hughes are lost through graduation and next year's team promises to be another formidable one. Brother Cosmas, C.F.X., is faculty manager.

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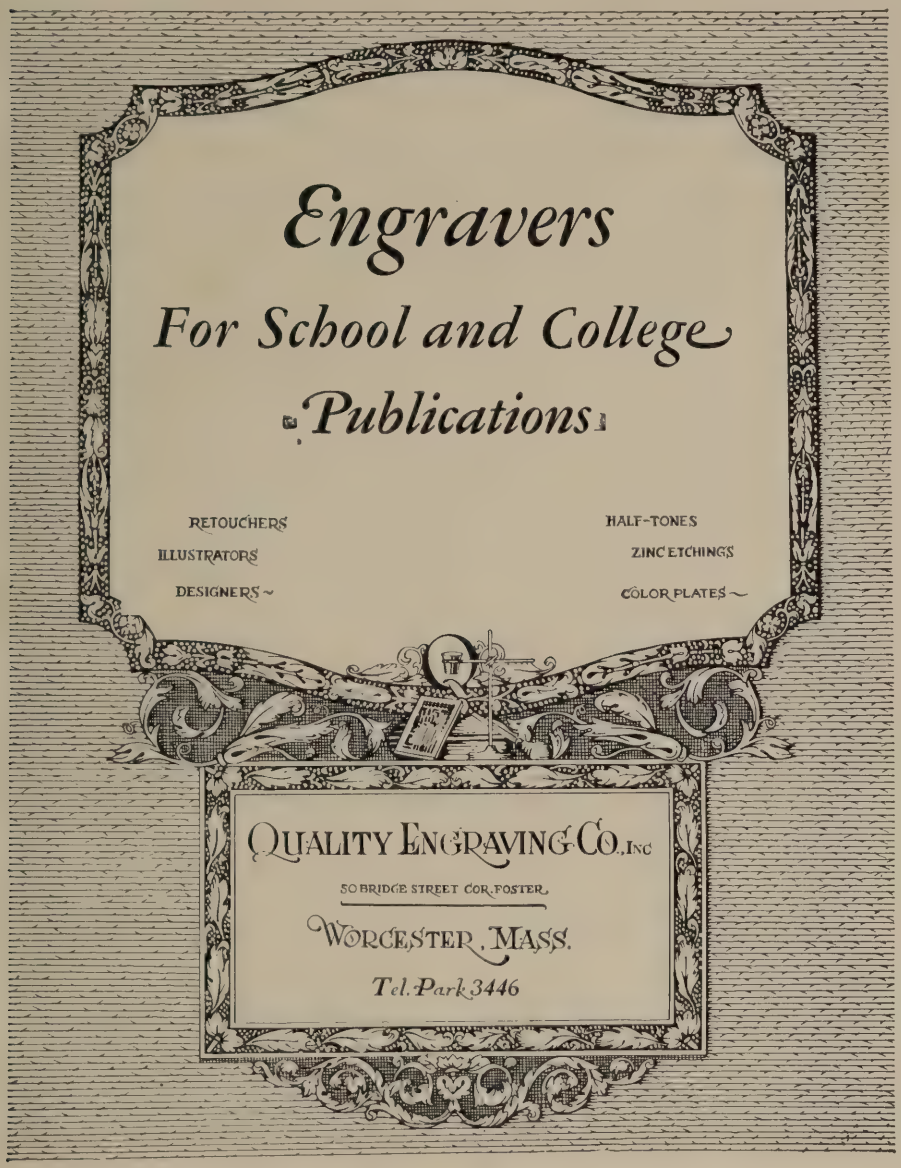
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